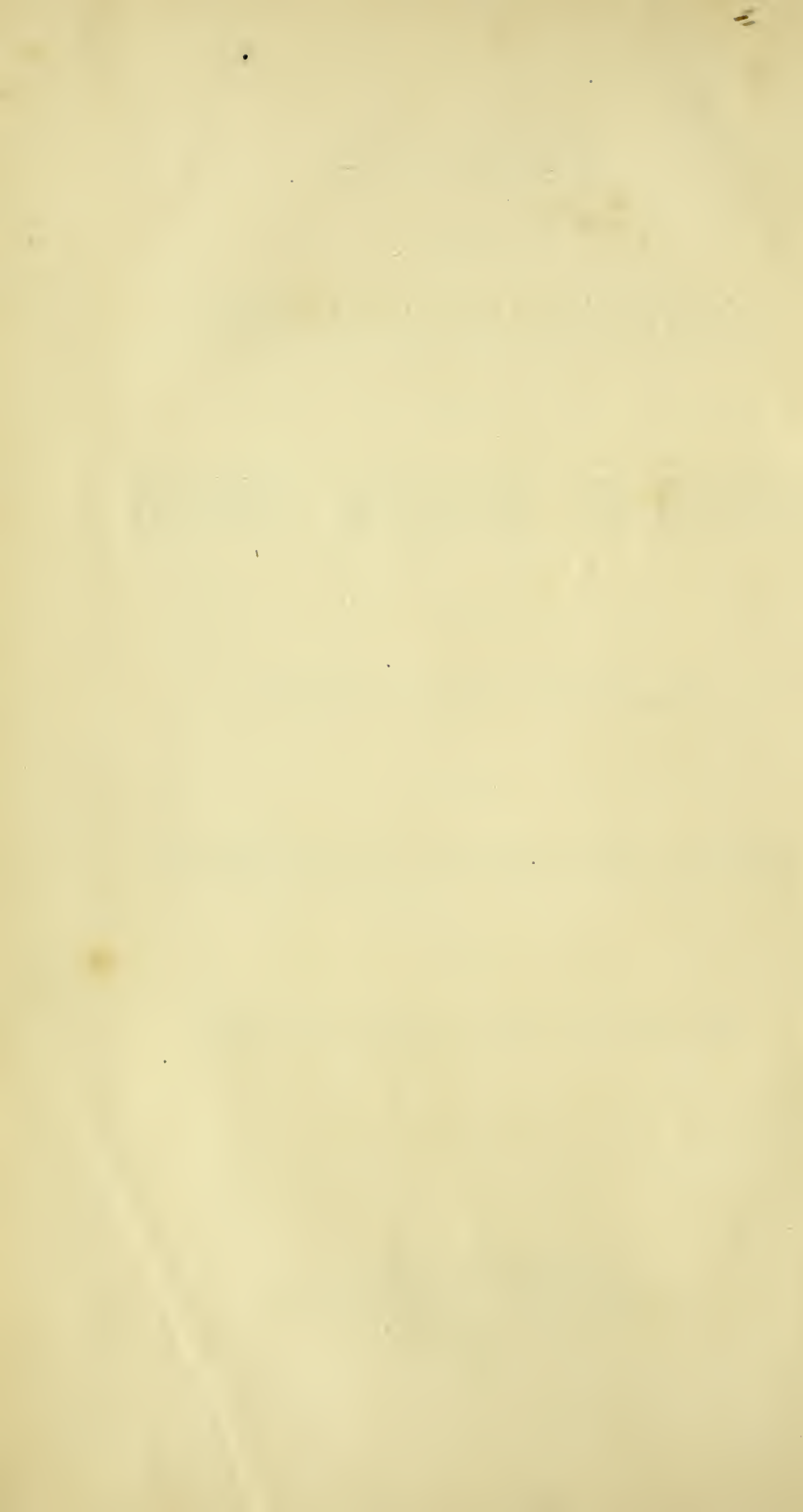


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LIST OF THE CLERGY
OF THE
DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Furnished by the Bishop, May 13, 1875.

Rt. Rev. W. B. W. HOWE, D. D., *Bishop.*

PRIESTS.

- *Rev. Benj. B. Babbitt, *Professor in University of South Carolina, and Minister of St. Luke's Church, Columbia.*
- *Rev. Edmund E. Bellinger, *Rector of St. Jude's Church, Wal-terboro', of Prince Williams' Parish, of Holy Trinity, Gra-hamville, and Missionary.*
- *Rev. William H. Campbell, *Rector of St. Luke's Church, Charleston.*
- *Rev. Ellison Capers, *Rector of Christ Church, Greenville.*
- *Rev. Andrew H. Cornish, *Rector of St. Paul's, Pendleton, and Missionary.*
- *Rev. John H. Cornish, *Missionary to Barnwell, and to Toogoo-doo, and places near Aiken.*
- *Rev. J. Grimke Drayton, *Missionary in St. Andrew's Parish.*
- †Rev. William P. DuBose, *Professor and Chaplain in the Uni-versity of the South.*
- *Rev. James H. Elliott, D. D., *Rector of St. Paul's, Radcliffe-boro'.*
- *Rev. E. C. Edgerton, *Rector of St. Thaddæus, Aiken.*
- *Rev. N. B. Fuller, *Rector of St. Stephen's and Upper St. John's, and Missionary to Orangeburg.*
- *Rev. Thomas F. Gadsden, *Rector of Christ Church Parish, and Missionary to St. James Santee.*

- *Rev. A. Glennie, *Rector of Prince George, Winyah.*
- *Rev. J. M. Green, *Rector of Christ Church, Charleston, and City Missionary.*
- *Rev. LeGrand F. Guerry, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter, and of St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs.*
- *Rev. Wm. H. Hanckel, *Rector of St. Stephen's Free Church, Charleston.*
- *Rev. P. D. Hay, *Rector of St. John's Berkeley.*
- *Rev. John Johnson, *Rector of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.*
- *Rev. R. P. Johnson, *Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Yorkville, and of the Church of Our Saviour, Rock Hill.*
- †Rev. Wm. H. Johnson, *residing in Summerville.*
- †Rev. Clement F. Jones, D. D., *residing near Glenn Springs.*
- *Rev. Henry T. Lee, *Rector of Trinity Church, Society Hill.*
- *Rev. Edw. C. Logan, *Rector of St. Thomas and St. Dennis.*
- *Rev. Thomas N. Lucas, *Rector of Claremont, Stateburg.*
- *Rev. A. W. Marshall, D. D., *Minister of St. John's Chapel, Hampstead.*
- *Rev. John D. McCollough, *Rector of the Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, of Church of the Nativity, Union, and Calvary Church, Glenn Springs.*
- *Rev. David McElheran, *residing at Mount Pleasant.*
- *Rev. Edward R. Miles, *Rector of Grace Church, Camden.*
- †Rev. James W. Miles, *residing in Charleston.*
- *Rev. A. Moore, *Rector of Christ Church, Mar's Bluff.*
- *Rev. John W. Motte, *Rector of St. David's, Cheraw.*
- *Rev. Josiah Obear, *residing in Winnsboro', and officiating by appointment of the Bishop.*
- *Rev. C. C. Pinckney, *Rector of Grace Church, Charleston.*
- *Rev. A. T. Porter, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, Charleston.*
- †Rev. Wm. T. Potter, *residing in Greenville.*
- *Rev. W. O. Prentiss, *officiating in the Church of the Messiah, N. Santee, and the Church of the Ascension, Combahee.*
- *Rev. B. B. Sams, *Rector of St. Matthew's Parish, and Missionary.*
- *Rev. J. B. Seabrook, *Rector of St. Mark's Church, Charleston.*

- *Rev. P. J. Shand, D. D., *Rector of Trinity Church, Columbia.*
 *Rev. P. F. Stevens, *Rector of Grace Church, Anderson, and of St. Luke's, Newberry, and Missionary.*
 †Rev. G. W. Stickney, *Rector of St. John's, John's Island, and of the Church on Edisto Island.*
 †Rev. J. H. Stringfellow, *Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Columbia.*
 *Rev. J. H. Tillinghast, *Rector of Zion Church, and of St. John's Church, Richland.*
 *Rev. R. S. Trapier, *Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.*
 *Rev. C. Bruce Walker, *Rector of St. Mark's, Clarendon, and Missionary to Grace Church, Ridge Spring.*
 *Rev. Edward T. Walker, *Rector of Trinity Church, Edgefield.*
 *Rev. Joseph R. Walker, D. D., *Rector of St. Helena, Beaufort.*

DEACONS.

- †Rev. X. Y. Anderson, *in Columbia.*
 *Rev. J. V. Welsh, *Minister to Calvary Church, Charleston.*

*Entitled to all the privileges of the Convention.....42

†Entitled to seats, but not votes..... 8

CLERGY CANONICALLY CONNECTED WITH THE DIOCESE.

Bishop	1
Priests	47
Deacons	2
	—
Total	50
Clergy present at the Convention	39
Clergy not present	11
	—
Total	50

LIST OF PARISHES AND CHURCHES
IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION,
AND OF
DEPUTIES TO THE CONVENTION
OF 1875.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, CHARLESTON,	*E. McCrady, Sr., *H. D. Lesesne, *J. J. Pringle Smith, *W. A. Pringle.
ST. JAMES', SANTEE,	*A. H. Seabrook, J. C. Doar, David Doar, †Edmund Mazyck.
ST. ANDREW'S PARISH. CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.	J. E. Dawson, *B. G. Heriott, *T. A. Broughton, E. O. Hall, *F. S. Holmes.
ST. JAMES', GOOSE CREEK, ST. JOHN'S, BERKELEY,	*P. Gourdin, W. E. Haskell, H. L. Ingraham, *W. I. Ball.
ST. THOMAS AND ST. DENNIS,	* <i>Wm. L. Venning,</i> * <i>J. Coming Ball,</i> * <i>J. G. Shoolbred,</i> * <i>John L. Nowell.</i>

ST. HELENA, BEAUFORT,	A. S. Gibbes,
PRINCE GEORGE, WINYAH,	B. S. Sams.
	* <i>R. I. Middleton,</i>
	* <i>R. E. Fraser,</i>
	* <i>J. B. Pyatt.</i>
ST. JOHN'S, JOHN'S ISLAND,	Wm. S. Stevens, M. D.,
	R. B. Hanahan, M. D.,
	*R. J. LaRoche,
	*B. S. Whaley,
PRINCE FREDERICK'S, PEE DEE,	*J. R. Sparkman, M. D.
	Ben Allston,
	J. J. Pringle,
	C. P. Allston.
PRINCE WILLIAM'S PARISH,	John W. Gregorie,
	*Wm. H. Hanckel,
	*James M. Gregorie,
	Wm. Fuller.
ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CHARLESTON,	*W. C. Courtney,
	*H. E. Young,
	*Jas. M. Wilson,
	E. H. Frost.
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	*E. D. Brailsford,
	B. Manning,
	W. S. Manning.
ALL SAINTS, WACCAMAW,	Charles Alston, Sr.,
	Bentley Weston,
	*Arthur B. Flagg, M. D.,
	L. C. Hasel, M. D.
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	†B. E. Guerard,
	J. H. Mellichamp,
	Paul Pritchard,
ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH,	<i>A. D. Goodwyn.</i>
	* <i>D. Zimmerman.</i>
	<i>P. M. Carson.</i>

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*I. S. K. Bennett,
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CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, UPPER ST. JOHN'S,	Charles Sinkler, James Gaillard, Joseph Palmer, John G. Gaillard.
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ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, ST. STEPHEN'S PARISH,	*W. Mazyck Porcher, Jacob Aliand, †S. J. Walter, F. Bacchus, Jr.

Number of Deputies present in the Convention, 96

*Present the first day, 84

†Present other days, 12

N. B.—Names in italics were of those reported by the Committee, and added to the Secretary's Roll.

JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, }
CHARLESTON, Thursday, May 13th, A. D., 1875. }

The Eighty-Fifth Annual Convention of the Diocese of South Carolina assembled at this, the appointed time and place, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. E. T. Walker, as far as the Creed; the Lessons being read by the Rev. J. H. Cornish, and the remainder by the Rev. E. C. Edgerton. The Ante-Communion service was by the Rev. P. J. Shand, D. D., the Epistle being read by the Rev. John Johnson, and the sermon preached by the Rev. Jas. W. Miles, from St. Luke, IV., 16th to 21st verses.

The Bishop celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Shand, and Messrs. Pinckney, Edgerton, and Gregorie, of the Diocese of Ohio.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop, and the names of the Clergy called by the Secretary, from the list furnished by the Bishop, the following answering, viz :

Rt. Rev. W. B. W. Howe, D. D.

Rev. E. E. Bellinger,	Rev. A. W. Marshall, D. D.,
“ Wm. H. Campbell,	“ J. D. McCollough,
“ Ellison Capers,	“ D. McElheran,
“ J. H. Cornish,	“ E. R. Miles,
“ Wm. P. DuBose,	“ A. Moore,
“ J. H. Elliott, D. D.,	“ C. C. Pinckney,
“ E. C. Edgerton,	“ A. T. Porter,
“ N. B. Fuller,	“ Wm. O. Prentiss,
“ T. F. Gadsden,	“ B. B. Sams,
“ A. Glennie,	“ P. J. Shand, D. D.
“ J. M. Green,	“ G. W. Stickney,
“ L. F. Guerry,	“ J. H. Stringfellow,
“ Wm. H. Hanckel,	“ J. H. Tillinghast,
“ P. D. Hay,	“ R. S. Trapier,
“ John Johnson,	“ C. B. Walker,
“ R. P. Johnson,	“ E. T. Walker,
“ Wm. H. Johnson,	“ J. R. Walker, D. D.
“ H. T. Lee,	“ J. V. Welsh.

The list of clergy was referred to a Committee, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Prentiss, Hanckel, and Porter, who reported concurrence therewith, except in the case of the Rev. Wm. H. Johnson. Upon information received by them that he is the Rector of St. Matthew's Parish, they recommended that his name be transferred to the class of those entitled to all the privileges of the Convention. The Rev. Mr. Sams having made a statement of facts, the Committee asked the recommittal of their report, and recommended entire concurrence.

The roll of Parishes and Deputies was then called, and *eighty-four* Deputies, from *thirty-eight* Parishes were found present. (See roll of Parishes and Deputies prefixed.) This, together with certificates of appointment, and lists of delinquent Parishes, was referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs. Brewster, Buist, and Munro.

Other certificates of Deputies were also laid upon the Secretary's table, and referred to the same Committee.

A quorum of both orders being present, the Convention was declared duly organized.

The Committee on Credentials of Deputies, presented the following report :

The Committee appointed to verify the list of Lay Delegates, respectfully report, that they have performed that duty, and reports the list of Delegates called by the Secretary correct; and in addition thereto, report the following Delegates entitled to seats :

From St. James', Goose Creek.—F. S. Holmes.

From St. Thomas and St. Dennis.—Wm. L. Venning, J. Coming Ball, J. G. Shoolbred, Jno. L. Nowell.

From Prince George, Winyah.—R. I. Middleton, R. E. Fraser, J. B. Pyatt.

From St. Matthew's Parish.—A. D. Goodwyn, D. Zimmerman, P. M. Carson.

From the Church of the Ascension, Combahee.—Rawlins Lowndes, W. D. Warren.

From St. Luke's Church, Charleston.—Wm. C. Bee, Geo. L. Buist, I. S. K. Bennett, E. W. Edgerton

From the Church of our Saviour, Rock Hill.—H. P. Green.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BREWSTER,
GEO. L. BUIST,
WM. MUNRO.

On motion, the reading of the Rules of Order was dispensed with.

On motion, the ballot for Secretary was dispensed with, and the Rev. J. D. McCollough nominated and elected, *viva voce*.

The Secretary presented a communication from the Treasurer, declining to be nominated for re-election; whereupon, Mr. F. A. Mitchell was nominated, and, on motion, was elected, *viva voce*.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

1st. *On Admission of New Parishes*.—Rev. P. J. Shand, D. D., Mr. Jas. M. Davis, Mr. William H. Parker.

2nd. *On the Constitution and Canons*.—Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Rev. J. D. McCollough, Rev. J. H. Elliott, D. D., Mr. Edward McCrady, Mr. R. W. Shand.

3rd. *On the State of the Church*.—Rev. E. Capers, Rev. R. P. Johnson, Rev. J. H. Tillinghast, Rev. T. F. Gadsden, Rev. Wm. H. Hanckel, Mr. H. R. Rutledge, M. D., Mr. N. B. Mazyck, Mr. S. G. Godfrey, Mr. J. R. Sparkman, M. D., Mr. Thos. M. Hanckel.

4th. *On Unfinished Business*.—Rev. E. E. Bellinger, Mr. H. E. Young, Mr. W. W. Keith, M. D.

5th. *On Finance*.—Messrs. John Hanckel, J. B. Palmer, and W. C. Courtney.

The Bishop communicated the application of St. Mark's Church, Charleston, for admission to the Convention.

Mr. E. McCrady, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the application of St. Mark's Congregation for admission into union with this Convention be referred to a commission of ——— to be appointed by the Bishop, to report to the next Convention upon the same, and all its relations to the Church and Constitution of this Diocese.

During the discussion of this resolution, motion was made to adjourn, which, on division, was carried; ayes, 59, nays, 40.
JNO. D. MCCOLLOUGH, *Secretary*.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, May 14th, 1875.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by Rev. Messrs. Stringfellow and Stickney; and the Anniversary Sermon of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina, preached by the Rev. Wm. H. Campbell.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop, and the Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The Secretary called the names of members absent yesterday, and the following answered, viz: of the Clergy, Revs. J. G. Drayton, and J. B. Seabrook; and of the Laity, Messrs. Edmund Mazyck, B. E. Guerard, H. S. Ball, H. P. Archer, E. M. Seabrook, E. Scott Miles, and W. I. Miller. [See list of Deputies.]

On motion of Rev. A. T. Porter, the following visiting Clergymen were invited to seats in the Convention, viz: Rev. Dr. Bailey, of the Diocese of New York, Rev. Mr. Lance, of the Diocese of Wisconsin, and Rev. Mr. Gregorie, of the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

The Bishop read his Annual Address. [See Appendix I.]

The Secretary appointed the Rev. Wm. H. Hanckel, Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the order of proceedings unfinished yesterday was taken up, and the Standing Committee presented their annual Communication. [See Appendix II.]

The Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund presented his Report, which, together, with the accounts of the late Treasurer, were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The discussion of Mr. McCrady's resolution was then resumed.

Rev. J. H. Cornish offered the following as a substitute:

One Lay Delegate, chosen by the Communicants of any Missionary Station, or Congregation of colored people, represented in this Convention by the Rector, or Missionary in charge, acting under the Ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, shall be entitled to have seats assigned them in this house; and may be allowed to speak on any question directly and specially affecting their respective Parishes or Stations, and no others, upon the motion of any member of this Convention.

Which, on motion to that effect, was laid on the table.

Rev. J. D. McCollough moved to strike out before "*Convention*" the words "*the next*," and substitute "*this*," which was also laid on the table. Ayes 73, nays 39.

Dr. R. Lebby moved to lay the original resolution on the table; and a vote by orders being called for, the motion was

lost: the Clergy voting aye 17, no 15; the Laity, aye 10, no 24, divided, 4.

Rev. Mr. Prentiss offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That while this Convention welcomes the Delegates from St. Mark's to all the rights and privileges of this body, it expressly declares and insists that this case shall not be drawn into precedent: but that hereafter, all applications kindred to that of St. Mark's, shall be received and decided, each one on its individual merits; and that this Convention possesses and will exercise the right of excluding from this body all such Delegates of the class herein referred to, as it shall hereafter regard likely to interrupt the peace of the Church, or impede the glory of God.

Which was, on motion, laid on the table.

Mr. E. M. Seabrook offered the following substitute:

Resolved, That the application of the Church of St. Mark to be admitted into this Convention be favorably received, and that the said Church be admitted.

Which was, also laid on the table.

Rev. John Johnson offered the following substitute:

Resolved, That the application of St. Mark's Congregation be granted; to take effect at the meeting of the next Annual Convention of the Diocese.

This, also, was laid on the table.

The question recurring on the original resolution, on motion of Mr. W. F. Colcock, the blank was filled by inserting *seven*, and the resolution was adopted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned, to meet to-morrow, at 10 o'clock.

JNO. D. MCCOLLOUGH, *Secretary*.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, May 15th, 1875.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Fuller and W. H. Johnson, after which the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion of the Rev. E. C. Edgerton, the Rev. Mr. Hefernan, of the Diocese of New Jersey, was invited to a seat on the floor of the Convention.

Names of members absent on preceding days were called, and Mr. J. B. Ezell answered.

The Committee on Credentials of Duputies presented the following supplementary report.

The Committee on Credentials of Lay Members respectfully report that the following, in addition to the names heretofore reported, are members of the Convention:

From Christ Church, Wilton, E. D. LaRoche, E. Barnwell, R. J. LaRoche.

From Church of the Messiah, N. Santee, A. G. Trenholm, F. L. Frost, R. P. On Lowndes.

From Trinity Church, Society Hill, John Witherspoon, E. E. Evans, J. J. Lucas, P. E. Griffin, M. D.

The following named Deputies from Trinity Church, on Edisto Island, are entitled to seats in the Convention, but not to a vote, this Parish having failed for three successive years to pay its quota to the Convention, to wit: Constantine Bailey, Arthur Whaley, Wm. Whaley.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. BREWSTER.

WM. MUNRO

GEO. L. BUIST.

On calling the names of these Deputies, Messrs. E. D. LaRoche and Constantine Bailey were found present.

The President appointed the Commission to report upon the application of St. Mark's Church, as follows:

Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Rev. J. H. Elliott, D. D., Rev. R. S. Trapier, Rev. Ellison Capers, Mr. Edward McCrady, Sr., Mr. George A. Trenholm, Mr. W. F. Colcock.

The election of the Standing Committee was ordered, and Rev. Messrs. Motte and Green appointed Tellers of the vote of the Clergy, and Messrs. C. R. Holmes and Hayden of that of the Laity. These Tellers reported: of the Clergy, eleven votes cast, of which Rev. Messrs. Pinckney, Elliott and Johnson, and Messrs. Pringle, Lesesne, McCrady, Memminger and Wragg, each received eleven; Rev. Messrs. Trapier and Porter each ten, and two scattering. Of the Laity, thirty-three votes cast, of which Rev. Messrs. Pinckney, Elliott, and Johnson, and Pringle, Lesesne, and McCrady, each received thirty-three; Rev. A. T. Porter, thirty-two; Rev. R. S. Trapier and Mr. Memminger, each thirty-one, and Dr. Wragg, twenty-nine; therefore, that the former Standing Committee was elected.

The Committee on Unfinished Business presented their report. [See Appendix III, (D.)]

The election of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary was ordered, and Revs. Messrs. Bellinger and E. R. Miles appointed Tellers of the vote of the Clergy, and Messrs. W. Mazyck Porcher and Warren of that of the Laity. The Tellers reported: of the Clergy, seven votes cast, of which the former Trustees received, each seven; and of the Laity, twenty-eight votes cast, of which Rev. Messrs.

by striking out the word "*five*" immediately before "*Laymen*," in the second line of Sec. I, and inserting *six*, which was lost.

Mr. T. M. Hanckel moved to recur to Canon II, for the purpose of amending it in Sec. 4, as follows: Strike out the word "*every*" after the word "*of*," in the first line, and substitute the word *the*; and after the word "*Vestry*," in same line, insert the words, *of every Parish in union with the Convention*.

The Finance Committee presented their report, which was received, and its recommendations adopted. [See App. III. B.]

Mr. W. Mazyck Porcher moved that the name of St.

Stephen's Church, Pineville, be transferred to the list of suspended Parishes, which was agreed to.

The Committee on the state of the Church presented their report, which was accepted, and ordered to be entered on the Journal. [See App. III, A.]

The Trustees of the University of the South made a verbal report through Mr. T. M. Hanckel.

Rev. Prof. DuBose also made a statement of the condition and prospects of the University.

Mr. John Hanckel moved the suspension of the Rules of Order, for the purpose of hearing a report from the "Clergy Society," which was agreed to, and the report read by Mr. W. C. Bee, as follows :

REPORT

Of the Committee of "the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in South Carolina," to the Diocesan Convention of South Carolina :

At the last Annual Convention, the Committee submitted a report in which the origin, objects and progress of the Society, with the gratifying results which had rewarded its labors were briefly, but clearly stated; it is unnecessary, therefore, to review them here. In that report, however, the Committee dwelt impressively upon the reverses which had befallen the Society, and its consequent inability to extend the accustomed relief to those whose wants had been the objects of its cherished care.

They urged therein the necessity for prompt and general co-operation on the part of all connected with the Church in an effort to provide, not only for the pressing demands for present aid, but for the restoration of the Society to the position which it once occupied.

This appeal was supplemented by another, addressed to every member of the fold in this Diocese, and the instrumentality of the rectors of the respective Churches was earnestly invoked to secure its proper distribution and a prompt remittance of the contributions which the Society felt assured must follow.

The disappointment at the feeble response thus far elicited, can be better conceived than expressed. The Treasurer reports that up to this date, the remittances made to him aggregate but two hundred and ninety-eight 45-100 dollars, while the whole income of the Society for the present year, is inadequate to liquidate the arrearages upon the appropriations for the previous year.

If prompt and liberal aid, therefore, be not extended, the widows and orphans of those who faithfully devoted their lives to the promotion of the eternal, and, therefore, the best welfare of their respective flocks, must endure privations which a combined effort on the part of those more fortunately situated would certainly alleviate, if not entirely relieve.

To the best of their ability, the Committee have discharged the duties assigned them. The facts need no embellishment, and it remains for each member of our Church to decide, as in the sight of God, what is his or her duty in the present emergency.

Two members of the Church have each pledged a contribution of one hundred dollars, provided eighteen others will each contribute a like sum. If this proposition can be made available, one half of the sum needed would be thus realized, and the deficit might then be made up by contributions in smaller sums, and by additions to the roll of members of the Society.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN HANCKEL, *President.*

CHARLESTON, 10TH MAY, 1875.

It was, on motion, ordered to be printed in the Journal. The Special Committee "On Times for Special Offerings," presented the following report :

The Committee appointed to consider the subject of Diocesan Offerings, respectfully report :

That they have endeavored to do justice to the various objects, general, diocesan, and special, which demand the helping hand of the Church. Mindful of the enfeebled condition of the Diocese, they have selected only such objects as they thought imperative in their claims.

There can be no doubt of our duty to give our united and systematic support to the *Foreign and Domestic Missions* of the Church, established by the General Convention, and binding upon us by the law of Christ, and of His Church. To these we assign the first place.

The second place on the list, we allot to our Diocesan Missionary Society, so long sustained by the Diocese, so often commended by our Bishops, so often recognized by our Convention, as the missionary agent of the Church.

The Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy, and its younger ally, the Church Brotherhood, is another object which commends itself to the Christian sympathy of the Diocese.

The support of candidates for orders, is another subject of vital interest to the Diocese; and while the Committee include this among the objects to be recommended to general support, they do not designate any Sunday for such offerings, inasmuch as the Bishop has given notice of his intention to ask such an offering at every Church which he visits.

The Commission of Home Missions to colored people, established by the General Convention, and endorsed by our own, and other Southern Dioceses, is another object which we neither can, nor desire to overlook. Our efforts to aid the colored race, manifest themselves rather in the direct labors of our Clergy, than in pecuniary contributions. But as we receive aid in the Diocese to the amount of \$2,000 per annum from this commission, we feel bound in justice to make some return.

The University of the South, is recommended to the Southern Dioceses by all their Bishops, and the time designated to make our offerings is established by usage.

With respect to the special Sundays on which these offerings may be made, the Committee have endeavored to make a suitable arrangement. They recognize the benefit of united effort in our ecclesiastical, as well as secular concerns, and believe that harmonious action in the support of the Church's labors will increase her power for good. They therefore suggest the following scheme for consideration, and recommend the Clergy to give it a fair trial :

Objects for Missionary Offerings.—1. Foreign Missions, First Sunday after Epiphany. 2. Domestic Missions, Second Sunday in Lent. 3. Home Commission, Second Sunday after Trinity. 4. Advancement Society, First Sunday after Easter. 5. Candidates for Orders, Bishop's visitation. 6. University of South, Third Sunday in Advent. 7. Society for relief of Widows and Orphans, Whitsunday.

Respectfully submitted, C. C. PINCKNEY, Chairman.

Which was agreed to.

The Board of Missions presented their report. [See App. III, C.]

Mr. John Hanckel presented the list of the Board of Managers of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina, and, on motion, they were approved as the Board of Missions of the Diocese, being the same as last year.

Mr. I. M. Bryan offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention desires to express for the Diocese its interest in perpetuating a substantial record of the interesting services "In Commemoration of the planting of the Church of England within the Province of Carolina."

Resolved, That the general Committee of Arrangements on said occasion be requested to superintend the publication of the sermon preached by the Bishop, and the historical address delivered by Mr. J. J. Pringle Smith, prefacing the same by an introduction descriptive of the same.

Resolved, That the Bishop and Mr. Smith be requested to comply with the wish of the Convention, by allowing the use of their MSS. for the said publication, and that the expense be defrayed by contributions from each Parish.

Mr. J. J. Pringle Smith moved that the next Annual Convention meet in St. Philip's Church, Charleston, on the second Wednesday in May, 1876. Which, on motion of Mr. J. B. Palmer, was amended by substituting Trinity Church, Columbia, for St. Philip's Church, Charleston, and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. C. R. Holmes:

Resolved, That the name of St. Paul's Church, in St. George's Parish, be changed to St. Paul's Church, Summerville.

On motion of Mr. R. W. Shand:

Resolved, That this Convention has heard with deep interest the remarks of the Bishop in reference to the Educational Institutions of the Church in this Diocese, and earnestly urges upon the members of our Church the support of the same, by their active sympathy, contributions and patronage.

Seven hundred and fifty copies of the Journal were ordered to be printed; and, on motion of Mr. E. McCrady:

Resolved, That after the reading and approval of the Minutes, and prayer, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

Whereupon the Minutes were read and approved, the Bishop bid the Convention an affectionate adieu, and after prayers and benediction, it was adjourned *sine die*.

W. B. W. HOWE, *President*.

JOHN D. MCCOLLOUGH, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX I.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS

TO THE

EIGHTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

My Dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity: In addressing you, assembled for the fourth time since my entrance upon the Episcopate, you will, I am sure, accept my hearty welcome to this, the eighty-fifth Annual Convention, and unite with me in the prayer that God, by His Holy Spirit, would “direct us in all our doings;” that they may be “begun, continued, and ended in Him, and that we may glorify His holy name, and, finally, by His mercy, obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

In making this, my annual report of visitations, and other duties belonging to the discharge of my office, I will depart somewhat from the usual routine pertaining to Episcopal addresses in this Diocese. I shall not consume your time by reading out, as heretofore, the monotonous list of duties discharged, but beg leave, when the Journal is printed, to refer you to the appendix, which will be found following these, my present remarks, and which will contain my services and official acts, as they are recorded in my memoranda.

I will call your attention, however, to some few statistics and items of Diocesan interest.

The clergy list of those canonically connected with this Diocese, contains, besides your Bishop, forty-nine names—forty-seven Priests, and two Deacons. During the past year there have been no deaths among the clergy, and none have

removed to other Dioceses. Two presbyters have been received: the Rev. G. W. Stickney, from the Diocese of Arkansas, and the Rev. J. W. Stringfellow, from the Diocese of Alabama. The Rev. Mr. Stickney has charge of the Churches on Edisto and John's Islands, and the Rev. Mr. Stringfellow is the Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Columbia. Changes have been as follows: Rev. E. R. Miles has resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Abbeville, and accepted that of Grace Church, Camden; Rev. Mr. Campbell has left St. John's, Fairfield, for St. Luke's, Charleston; Rev. Mr. Prentiss has resigned St. Luke's, Charleston, and supplies, for the present, Church of the Messiah, North Santee, and Church of the Ascension, Combahee; the Rev. Mr. Drayton having previously relinquished this last named parish; the Rev. Wm. H. Johnson has resigned St. Paul's, Summerville; Rev. Mr. McCollough has resigned the Church of the Advent, Spartanburg; Rev. Mr. Hay has resigned Trinity, Black Oak, and will confine himself to Lower St. John's Berkeley; the Rev. Mr. Guerry has accepted a call to St. Paul's, Summerville. The following parishes are vacant: All Saints', Waccamaw; Prince Frederick's, Peedee; St. John's, Fairfield; Trinity, Abbeville; Church of the Advent, Spartanburg; Trinity, Black Oak; St. Mark's, Chester; Holy Comforter, Sumter, and St. John's, Florence. Candidates for Holy Orders, *six*, viz: Mr. John Kershaw, Mr. Milner Jones, Mr. W. H. Barnwell, Mr. J. B. Perry, Mr. P. H. Whaley, Mr. Edwin C. Steele. Messrs. Kershaw and Jones, are pursuing their theological studies under Rev. Mr. DuBose, at Sewanee; Messrs. Barnwell and Perry, at Alexandria, Va.; Mr. Whaley, at the Berkeley Divinity School, Conn.; Mr. Steele, at Nashotah, Wis. Postulants who hope in due time to become candidates for Holy Orders, *four*. Lay readers licensed, *twelve*. Number of persons confirmed during the past year, three hundred and sixty-eight. Churches consecrated, two. One of these, Grace Church, at the Ridge, has just entered upon its ecclesiastical existence, and as this fine portion of the State fills up, the congregation, doubtless, by the blessing of God, will increase and strengthen also. The

church building itself, is neat and tasteful, and the small congregation of zealous Church people worshipping in it have done much for themselves, and have also been assisted by very valuable donations from abroad. The Rev. C. B. Walker is in charge of the new congregation.

The other Church consecrated was Christ Church, in Christ Church Parish, and under different circumstances. It was not a new, but an old Church; one of the Colonial Churches. It had gone through two wars, and both had left their marks upon it. For several years past it had been in a ruinous condition; but now, under the efforts of the Rector, and seconded by the Parishioners, and the congregation gathering around it, it has been repaired and made meet for the worship of God. I do not know which Church gave me the most pleasure in consecrating—the new or the old. With the one it was birth; with the other resurrection.

The contributions placed in my hands for purposes within the Diocese, and expended on missions, the parochial clergy, and upon candidates for holy orders, amount to \$1,945.33. Of this, \$1,862 have been paid out in the way indicated, leaving a balance of \$83.33, which I shall devote to our theological students. Of the above amount, one Parish—St. Philip's, Charleston—contributed more than one-fourth. I desire to call particular attention, in this connection, to the venerable Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina. This society, as you are aware, is the missionary organ of the Diocese, and has been brought into close union with the Convention. Without its aid, I do not know how our missionary operations could possibly be carried on. Of late, in its efforts to assist parishes and mission points, it has somewhat exceeded its income, while at the same time subscribers have neglected to pay their dues, and the offerings from the Churches and the mite boxes have diminished. In 1873, the society received from subscribers, from offerings, and from mite chests, \$2,389.35. In 1874, \$1,357.72. In 1875, \$1,084.87. I beg to call the attention of the Clergy to this statement, and to suggest, that possibly this falling off is owing in great part to their not having brought the society

prominently before their congregations. So long as this society is the missionary organ of the Diocese, every congregation in the Diocese should at least give it one offering a year. And while I am on the subject of offerings, let me impress upon the smaller Parishes the need there is of each one doing something, however little, for matters of diocesan and general interest, as well as for those which are purely parochial. I think some of our congregations need larger views in this matter. I know perfectly, my brethren, the old argument—such as “we can hardly support ourselves”—“it takes everything we have to support our own clergyman;” but poor and depressed as many of the Parishes are, is it so, that more thought and more interest in the things of others, and more self-denial, would not enable them to do more? If Christian people felt their responsibilities, and had their hearts more in the cause of our blessed Lord, I am sure we should hear less frequently than we do the above reasons for withholding more than is meet. For instance, an offering is to be made for some Church work, or the Bishop visits a Parish once a year—it may be NOT one of the rural Parishes, and the only occasion in the course of the twelve months where that Parish puts anything at all into the Bishop’s hands, is on this his yearly visit; and yet, when the offerings are handed in, and the size of the congregation is considered, the average offerings of each person, it may be, will not reach ten cents. Now, I do not suppose that all this is due to the lack of interest in the things of others altogether, though to a very considerable extent this must be the case, but also to the lack of system in our offerings. If we cannot give to all Church objects, then let us select, as in the forum of the conscience, what objects we will give to. And the rule, I think, which should ordinarily govern our choice, ought to be the recommendations of Church authority—those of our Rector, of our Bishop, and Diocesan Convention, and of the Church at large. I will say no more, however, on this point, inasmuch as a committee appointed at our last Convention to make suggestions on this very important matter will probably make their report during your present sitting.

I am glad to say that work for Christ and His Church has, more than ever, engaged the thoughts and sympathies of our laymen, and of our churchwomen in Charleston, during the past year. Meetings are held monthly and quarterly of members from all the city churches for purposes of conference upon church-work, and, as last year, services have been held and visits paid to the Hospital, the Jail, and the Almshouse. May God bless this work and every effort of kindred character. It will bless not those alone to whom it is especially addressed, but bless us in ourselves, and in promoting fellowship, one with another. In this connection, and as an additional step forward in this direction, I am glad to notice, during the past year, the establishment of a House of Rest for convalescents and incurables. Here, invalid women discharged from the hospital by reason of convalescence, or permanently disabled by ill-health, find a resting place, and are cared for in their souls as well as bodies. The home is under church supervision; and though not connected with any one parish, and soliciting the interest of all, has yet been placed in charge of one of the city rectors to act as Chaplain and for purposes of necessary spiritual ministrations. I invoke God's blessing upon it and upon all connected therewith.

The University of the South, in which this Diocese is so deeply interested, and which must inevitably bear a very important part in the years to come in the work of Christian education, if only it be sustained, is again commended to your interest and hearty support. Its greatest need is endowment, which will put it on a permanent basis. Its trustees, however, will report to you as usual at this Convention. I regret that circumstances prevented my attendance in August last upon the annual commencement.

I need not speak of the School and Institute in connection with the Church of the Holy Communion in this city. It never did its work more faithfully and efficiently than now. My hope is that it will become a permanent feature of the Diocese, and that it will live and flourish long after the distresses which gave it birth shall have been forgotten, and we ourselves have passed away. One way in which we may

indirectly sustain it, and aid in giving help to others, is to send our children there who can pay the tuition fees. But this school has so often been commended in Episcopal addresses, both my own and those of my predecessors, that I will add no more.

St. John's School, for girls, in Spartanburg, is still open; and stepping outside of the Diocese for one moment, I would call the attention of parents who send their daughters away from home to the old and well established church school of St. Mary's, in Raleigh, N. C., and under the charge of the Rev. Dr. Smedes. No parent, it seems to me, who has a son or a daughter to educate should hesitate for one moment in deciding to place them, at this forming time of life, under churchly influences, other things being equal. School influences not unfrequently tinge an entire after life.

You will observe in the record of my official acts the deposition of a Presbyter of this Diocese, and soon after (in two months' time) his restoration to the exercise of the ministry. As this is the first proceeding of the kind under a late additional section to Canon 11, Title II. of the Digest, and as I have reason to think that the course pursued is not clearly apprehended by some persons, you will be good enough to give attention to the following remarks on the nature and effects of deposition. What, then, in the case of a Clergyman, Deacon or Priest, does deposition by a Bishop—for it can be pronounced by none other—effect? Before I answer, I must first premise the distinction between the gift of Orders, bestowed in ordination, and the right to exercise that gift. You may have a power, and yet be restrained from the exercise of that power. Nay, you may have a power and yet it might, under certain circumstances, be very wrong for you to exercise that power. A Bishop, for instance, is a Bishop the world over; but it would be very wrong for him to intrude into another's Diocese and exercise his office there without consent. When he left his own Diocese and went into that of another, he left not his Order behind him, but the functions of his Order. The same is true of the Presbyter and the Deacon—while the power of

Orders always belongs to them, yet they are restrained in the exercise of it to their appointed spheres. Now, deposition deprives a Bishop, Priest or Deacon, not of the original gift of Orders conveyed to him in the act of laying on hands, but deprives him of the right to exercise that gift within the Church of Christ. It deprives him absolutely within the communion where the deposition was pronounced, and if outside of that communion he exercises his ministry after deposition, the responsibility rests upon him, and for this, as for other things, he must give account in the day of judgment. Such then being the deposition, it follows that when the deposition terminates you do not *re-ordain*, because Orders have not been taken away, but the right to exercise Orders revives, and the Priest or Deacon in the act terminating deposition is simply rehabilitated. St. Augustine's illustration is quite pertinent. The Church, he supposes, excommunicates a notorious offender, and puts him beyond her pale. This her act, however, cannot unbaptize him, and if she receives him back into communion again he comes with his original baptism; so, he argues, if I am not mistaken, deposition cannot, if I may be permitted to use the word, disordain one once in Orders. But shall one who has been once solemnly deprived of the right to execute his office by the authority of the Church, and for cause, shall such an one be restored, not to Orders, as I have said, but to the exercise of Orders? Can it be done? If it can, *ought* it to be done? As regards the former question, the *rule* of the ancient Church was, *not* to restore after once a clergyman had been lawfully, and for just cause, and by competent authority, deposed. But the rule was sometimes relaxed, as in the instances of the Novatians and Donatists, and where it was thought to promote the peace and unity of the Church so to relax it. Now, in cases of deposition for criminal offence, we still hold to the ancient rigor. A clergyman deposed for such causes would probably never be restored, even if the Church was satisfied of his repentance; but in cases of misguided judgment—acting, too, it may be, under a mistaken sense of duty—for such she has provided, I think—wisely provided, a way of

return ; and my prayer is, that those who have gone out from us, and it may be without a full conception of all that such a step involves, may come to themselves, and arise and return, and avail themselves of the provisions of the Canon of Restoration above referred to.

And now, before I leave this painful subject, let me add one or two words in connection with the unhappy schism which still invites and incites our brethren to leave us, and which can only prosper through our wounds, and whose plea for existence can be substantiated only when it is shown that the Protestant Episcopal Church is corrupt beyond remedy. You will not, I am sure, interpret my words as spoken in the spirit of denunciation, for that is far from my thoughts. I speak only, or at least think I do, in the spirit of truth and soberness. I fear some of us do not comprehend the exceeding sinfulness of this movement. I am aware, my brethren, that such language as this may grate upon the ears of some of you, but I cannot avoid it, and I have used it deliberately, and because when I was consecrated to my present office I promised to do all that in me lay to warn you against erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's Word, and a false liberalism, in my judgment, is one of the idols of the day. *Can* there be such a thing as schism ? and, if there can, is it sinful ? Do you say that persons have a right to set up their own tastes or opinions, and then to form organizations expressive of them ? Do you say there is no more wrong in setting up a new sect in the Christian world than there is in organizing a new political party ? I know many around us think so, but can *you* say or think so as members of the Protestant Episcopal Church ? Certainly not, because in the most solemn moments of your lives, when you are on your knees before the Judge of all the earth, this church bids you pray thus : " From all false doctrine, heresy and *schism*, good Lord deliver me ;" and, in another place, " Defend this congregation from the sins of heresy and *schism*." Your own prayers, then, witness that, however it may be with other people, for you, at least, schism is no more a mere ecclesiastical phantom, but is in very deed and truth a sin, and that

you cannot so much as in thought even, bid it God-speed. Does the movement, then, to which I have referred bear the name of schism writ on its very forehead? When I remember how it came to be, I verily think so. You may have heard the movement compared with the Reformation of the Church of England when she emancipated herself from the yoke of Rome. But where is the resemblance between the two cases? In the one instance a single Bishop, on a few hours' notice, quits the Communion in which he had previously ministered, and goes no whither. In the other, by action of the Convocations of Canterbury and York, representing the Church of England, followed by action on the part of the National Legislature, the tyrannous usurpation of the Bishop of Rome was removed. This action was purely organic, and by virtue of the ancient power possessed by both Church and Realm. Even Luther did not withdraw from Rome. Rome excommunicated him, and shut the doors upon him, and bolted them. Now, to compare the schism of an individual with such a movement as that of all England, is to confound things essentially dissimilar, most pitiably.

But I leave the subject, and I trust forever, and if I have referred to it at any unseemingly length, and beyond its importance, it is not because I suppose there is sympathy among us with this separation, but to suggest, as much as anything else, that our danger ecclesiastically may lie in an undue appreciation of individualism, and an insufficient regard for the communion of saints. I pass on. Among the noticeable events of the past year was the meeting of the General Convention in New York, during the month of October. The Church papers have so fully put you in possession of what was done by that large assembly of the representatives of the Church, that there is less need for me to detain you with remarks at length. Four new Dioceses were erected, for which Bishops have since been elected and received consecration. Four new Missionary jurisdictions were likewise set apart, and for them too, Missionary Bishops have been consecrated. If less business was transacted than was hoped for, it must be remembered that the Convention is made up of two houses,

and that these, both of them, increase in their proportions with the growth of the Church throughout the country. Moreover, much time must necessarily be consumed in debate and in the careful scrutiny of proposed legislation. On the vexed question of what is commonly called ritualism—and by that I mean a ceremonial on the implied personal presence of our Lord, not with the partaker, but first with the elements of bread and wine—the temper of the Convention was firm. Clearly, the prevailing sentiment of the Convention was not only not with, but against ritualism, in this sense; and if the House of Bishops modified the Canon on Ritual, as passed by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, it was not owing to less pronounced views, but because that proposed Canon affirmed that certain things symbolized *false* doctrine, when such really was not the case. Of course it was not to be expected that everybody should be satisfied, for in that event the occupation of not a few people would be gone, but with reasonable persons, those who do not look to have everything their own way in the Church or in the world, the conclusion I think must be reached, that this Church abides by the primitive Church, and the Reformers of the Church of England, and that it is the last of her thoughts to think of reverting to mediæval doctrine and ritual. Let us hope, then, the results of the Convention in this direction having made it manifest that the heart of the Church is not in sympathy with what is commonly called ritualism, that brethren of all schools will accept this conclusion, and that no occasion will be given for well grounded cause of disquiet.

But the Convention was equally firm in another direction. A very respectable number of persons signed a memorial asking for a change in two of the rubrics of the office for Infant Baptism, whereby the officiating minister, at his discretion, might omit the word “regenerated,” as applied to infants when baptized, but the proposed change, for many reasons, reasons of expediency and of principle, was not adopted. Both rubric and service remain as before, not from an indifference to those who urged the petition, but because the instinct of the Church taught the Convention that these

were not the times to bring into question and uncertainty ancient teaching, at least within the limits of the appointed service. If questions must be debated, let it be outside of the prescribed formulary ; let that, at least, remain as it is, and if change be expedient, let it wait for serener times and more loving hearts.

To my own very great regret, a canon which passed the House of Bishops, I think, (if my memory serves me,) unanimously, or nearly so, forbidding the administration of the sacrament to persons divorced for other causes than the one cause of adultery, and afterwards marrying again, failed of concurrence in the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. By Canon 13, Title II., of the Digest, no clergyman of this Church can officiate at a marriage where there has been a previous divorce for cause other than that of adultery. But suppose the persons or persons divorced as above, being fully informed of this, procures a minister of another communion, or a magistrate, to solemnize the marriage, shall such persons, the following Sunday it may be, be permitted to approach the table of the Lord? In the absence of legislation, each clergyman must be governed by his own views of duty ; but my judgment is, and I speak assuredly, that the sacrament in the case supposed, ought not to be given ; for "whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord."

At the meetings of the Board of Missions, which were held during the session of the Convention, among the many topics which engaged the attention of the Board night after night, and which were suggested by the wide area of Foreign and Domestic Missions, was the report of the committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of Missionary Bishops exclusively for the freedmen, so that with the consent of the Diocesan Bishops, within whose jurisdiction the mission might go on, the work among the freedmen for the present at least, should be a distinct department of the Church at large. The very respectable committee who had this matter in charge reported almost unanimously against the suggested scheme, chiefly on the ground that it was

against ecclesiastical precedent, and that it could hardly fail to work discord and a clashing of jurisdiction. The report of the committee was fully sustained in the Board, and the suggestion, therefore, of a Missionary Bishop, or Bishops for the freedmen may, I think, be regarded as quite opposed to the general judgment of the Church, as represented by the Board of Missions. In the matter of work, therefore, among the colored people, we are where we have always been. We must work in and through the Diocese, and, as far as we can, through the parochial clergy. The home Commission for Missions among the colored people, will, no doubt, as the means may be given them, assist us to support missionaries, where they may be had, exclusively for this work; and that the Commission may have the means, and that we may do our part to sustain them, I hope the committee who are to report to this Convention a scheme for stated offerings through the Diocese, will not overlook it, or its claims upon our support as the organ of the Church appointed for this work. In the meantime, my dear brethren, let us, as we have opportunity, do what we can, seeking not the approval of man, but of Him who judgeth righteous judgment.

Since last we met in Diocesan Convention three members of the House of Bishops have gone to their rest and to their reward, viz: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Whitehouse, of Illinois, who was consecrated November, 1852, and died August, 1874; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Lee, of Iowa, who was consecrated October, 1854, and died September, 1874; and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Payne, formerly Missionary Bishop for Western Africa, who was consecrated July, 1851, and died October, 1874. May we all, together with them, have our perfect consummation and bliss at the appearing, and in the kingdom of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

And now, before I conclude this address, let me give one brief glance at the Diocese. We have just commemorated by a solemn service held in this ancient Parish—the mother-Church of the Diocese—the first planting of the Church of England on these shores, nearly, if not quite, two hundred years ago, and the historical address to which we listened with

deep interest, detailed how it grew, and how the storms swept over it, and how God blessed it and established it firmly in the soil, so that thousands have been nourished under the shadow of it, during all these two hundred years, for heaven and for God. And I would that this commemoration presented for remark nothing save congratulation. I would that we could conscientiously present our Church, and the Church of our fathers, and of many of the saints of God, as stronger now than ever, and increasing in strength beyond that of any period in the past; but this cannot be, for Providence has permitted of late years, within the past ten, many Parishes to become virtually extinct in that part of the State where our Church has been of old time. I do not mean to dwell upon this, however, or to sadden you with the recital of an oft-told tale of dismantled churches and feeble congregations, where once there was strength and vigor. Perhaps these things have been already dwelt upon too frequently; as invalids, when ailments become fixed upon them and chronic, are apt to linger over and enlarge upon their aches and pains. But as I go my rounds over the State, and as I pass through at times our monotonous but solemn pine forests, whose tops, touched and swayed by the passing breeze, give forth a sound as of the sea breaking upon the shore, and as I remark not unfrequently the path cut through them by the tornado, and large trees lying prone and withered, and in their room the dwarf pine coming up, I cannot help thinking of another sort of cyclone which has gone over us and the ruined churches which lie prostrate in its path. But as I said a moment ago, I do not refer to this for mere purposes of lamentation, or to contrast the present with the past, but rather that together with myself you too may be summoned to duty, to self-denial for Christ and his Church, and to more active exertions. If we would transmit what has been delivered to us we must rise, dear brethren, above our immediate surroundings and the associations of the past. "Unless above himself he can erect himself, how mean a thing is man." We must regard ourselves, not merely as members of this parish or that parish, of this church or that church, on whose walls are fastened the

tablets which record the praises of our ancestors, but we must go beyond the Parish Church and feel that we belong as well to the Diocese, and to the Church beyond the Diocese. We must try and lose ourselves not in parochial interests, but in the Church of God, of which the Parish is a fragment. I know not how it is, but possibly we owe it to our segregated Southern life, especially on the seaboard, that we do not feel as much as we ought that we are members of a body, and so members one of another. Parishes sympathize too little in each other's prosperity and sorrow, and find it hard to unite together for a common end. But we must, to a certain extent, lay aside our individualism, if the good cause is to go forward, and not go forward merely; but if even we are to retain those who have been brought up in our fold, and all of whose associations are linked in with ours. Strong Parishes must help support the weak Parishes; weak Parishes must combine together under one clergyman, and destitute Parishes must have the visits of the missionary; and church families, which are constrained to leave the old home and move elsewhere, and where our services are unknown, must learn—it may be from the city rectors, as well as from the visits of the bishop—that they are not forgotten.

In many parts of our State I meet the descendants of men and women who were members of our Communion, but they are estranged from us and know us not, and when they come to the services which their fathers and mothers loved, it is as if some strange thing had happened unto them, and all because the Church could not or did not look after them. I cite but a single instance in proof that I do not speak too wide of the mark. I quote from Dalcho, who writes: "In the years 1764 and 1770 a considerable number of Palatines arrived in Carolina. They were settled in one of the townships called Londonderry, in Edgefield District, at a place called Cuffee-Town. In 1770 the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts sent the Rev. Samuel Frederick Lucius as their Missionary to these people. In a letter dated at Cuffee-Town, October 25, 1770, he informed the Society of his arrival in the province the preceding April, and that he had

officiated in his mission for the first time on Easter Sunday, to a numerous and attentive congregation. He stated that he had two hundred families under his pastoral care, who had been so long without the ordinances of religion that their children were growing up 'like savages.' From April 13 to September 29 he had baptized forty children and thirty adults, and the Lord's table was attended by sixty communicants." And what now is the *end* of Dalcho's record of church-work in Edgefield District? This, which was written in 1819: "No Episcopal clergyman has been settled here since the Revolution." (Dalcho, page 389.) I will not, brethren, rake open the ashes of the past and ask why was this so. Doubtless there was a cause, and that cause, it may be, the disorganized condition of the Church after the war of the Revolution. But I ask, shall these things be so *again*, and at your hands and mine? Shall our children be estranged from the faith of their fathers? Shall they, when they move into the upper districts, as they are sure to do in time, be forgotten by the Church which they have left behind, and shall they hear no more the voice of their mother, nor the sound of the ancient Creeds? I very much fear this will be so in many instances, unless we take heed and look less on our own things and more on the things of others. I very much fear that the results which followed the Revolution, and one instance of which I have cited, will be brought about again under our own eyes, unless we are alive to our responsibilities, and work with one heart and one mind towards the welfare of all. Even we, the individual members of the Church, the Vestries of our Parishes, the Delegates to our Convention, the Lay Preachers, and last, but not least, the Clergy of the Diocese, from your Bishop down. And in view of all these things and many others, which I must not now dilate upon, I rejoice to think, my dear brethren, that the approaching Whitsunday will crown this your eighty-fifth session. Let us, if possible, be in waiting, even as the early Church was, on the first Christian Pentecost.

May the Risen and Ascended Jesus give to every one of us His Holy Spirit, and may He fill our hearts with love towards God, and love towards one another, that we may all go forth

to our work with new zeal, anticipating the night which for some of us is near at hand, when no work can be done. "May He bless us and keep us. May He make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us. May He lift up His countenance upon us and give us peace, both now and evermore." Amen.

APPENDIX TO BISHOP'S ADDRESS—(OFFICIAL ACTS AND SERVICES).

1874.

May 17. Presided at a missionary meeting in Grace Church, Charleston.

May 20. Chapel of St. Thomas and St. Dennis, I preached and confirmed eleven persons.

May 21. Cainhoy, I preached and confirmed five, with Holy Communion.

May 24. St. Michael's, Charleston, I preached and confirmed seventeen, with Holy Communion.

St. Marks, Charleston, I preached and confirmed twenty-five persons.

May 25. I met the Board of Missions for appropriations.

Met also Board of Lay Co-operation.

May 26. Whitsuntide celebration of the Sunday-Schools in St. Philip's.

May 29. Consented to the deposition of the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky.

May 31. St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro', I preached and confirmed twelve persons, with Holy Communion.

St. John's, Hampstead, I confirmed fourteen persons and addressed them.

June 1. Met Committee of St. Philip's Church.

Met the vestry of Calvary Church, Charleston,

June 7. St. Luke's, Charleston, I said prayers and preached, with Holy Communion.

In same church, in the afternoon, I said prayers and preached.

June 11. Assisted at a funeral, in St. Philip's, Charleston.

June 14. Christ Church, Charleston, I preached and confirmed five persons.

June 16. Assisted at a funeral in St. Philip's.

Met and addressed St. Philip's Bishop's Aid Society.

June 17. Presided at and addressed a meeting of ladies, in behalf of a House of Rest for incurables.

June 21. Christ Church, Mar's Bluff, failed in my appointment, from sickness.

June 26. St. John's, Florence, I preached and confirmed two persons.

June 28. Trinity Church, Society Hill, I preached and confirmed two persons, with Holy Communion.

Service in same church.

June 29. Service in same church.

July 2. Grace Chapel, Chesterfield, I preached.

July 3. Administered the Holy Communion in private to a very aged person.

July 5. St. David's, Cheraw, catechised the Sunday-School; also preached and confirmed four persons, with the Holy Communion.

In the same church, in the afternoon, I preached again.

July 6. Marion, baptized one child, and preached, and confirmed one person.

July 12. St. Luke's, Charleston, I preached and confirmed nine persons, and addressed them.

St. John's, Hampstead, preached.

July 13. Met Building Committee of St. Mark's Church.

July 14. Met Committee of St. John's, Hampstead.

July 19. Church of Nativity, Union, I preached and confirmed three persons, with Holy Communion; in the afternoon I preached again.

July 22, 23, 24. Met the Columbia Convocation in Spartanburg, and presided.

July 25. Calvary Church, Glenn Springs, I preached and celebrated Holy Communion.

July 26. Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, I preached and confirmed four persons; in the afternoon I preached again.

July 29. Church of Good Shepherd, Yorkville, I preached at night.

July 30. Preached again in same church.

July 31. At Brattonville, confirmed one sick person and gave him the Communion.

August 1. In Church of Our Saviour, Rock Hill, at night, I preached.

August 2. In same Church, I preached and celebrated Holy Communion.

In same Church, at night, confirmed four persons and made address.

August 5. St. Mark's, Chester, I preached and confirmed one person, with Communion.

August 8. St. John's, Winnsboro', I preached.

August 9. In same Church, I preached and confirmed one person, and celebrated Holy Communion. At night preached again.

August 11. St. Stephen's, Ridgeway, I preached and confirmed two persons, with Communion.

August 14. Christ Church, Greenville, Divine service.

August 15. In same Church I preached. At night, Divine service.

August 16. In same Church, I preached and confirmed four persons, and celebrated the Communion. In the afternoon, catechised the children. At night, Divine service again.

August 17. Confirmed one sick person in private.

August 18. St. Paul's, Pendleton, Divine service at night.

August 19. In the same Church, I preached and celebrated Holy Communion.

August 20. Grace Church, Anderson, Divine service at night.

August 21. In same Church, I preached and confirmed two persons, with Communion.

August 22. Trinity Church, Abbeville, Divine service.

August 23. In same Church, I preached and confirmed three persons, with Communion.

In same Church, at night, Divine service.

August 25. St. Stephen's, Willington, I preached and celebrated Holy Communion.

August 28. Brooks' Chapel, baptized a child and celebrated Holy Communion.

- August 30. St. Luke's, Newberry, I preached and confirmed three persons, with Communion. In same Church, at night, Divine service.
- September 6. Church of the Holy Communion, said prayers and preached.
- September 7. Officiated at a funeral in St. Philip's.
- September 11. Gave Communion to a sick person.
- September 13. Said prayers and preached, with Communion, at the Church of Holy Communion.
- At night, preached in St. John's, Hampstead.
- September 20. Said morning prayer and preached in Church of the Holy Communion. Said evening prayer in same place.
- September 23. St. Paul's, Summerville, I preached and confirmed seven persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.
- October. During this month I attended the General Convention in New York.
- October 4. I preached in St. Mark's Church, Boston.
- October 11. Preached in St. Bartholomew's Church, New York and also in St. Ann's.
- October 18. Preached in St. John's Chapel, New York.
- October 25. Preached in Church of the Messiah, Rhinebeck.
- November 1. Preached in St. John's Church, Jersey City.
- November 15. Attended in St. Philip's Church, Atlanta, Ga., the consecration of the Missionary Bishop of Western Texas, and at night preached.
- November 19. Officiated at a marriage in Zion Chapel, Wadmalaw Island.
- November 20. Grace Chapel, Rockville, I preached and confirmed one person, with Communion.
- November 22. St. John's Chapel, John's Island, I preached and confirmed four persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.
- November 11. Confirmed one sick person in House of Rest and gave the Communion.
- November 26. Preached at St. Philip's Church, Charleston. Assisted at a marriage.

- November 29. Consecrated Grace Church, Ridge Spring, in Edgefield County : I preached the sermon, and confirmed three persons, and celebrated the Communion.
- November 30. In same Church made an address.
- December 1. Trinity Church, Edgefield, at night I preached.
- December 2. In same Church I preached, baptized one child, confirmed one person, and celebrated the Holy Communion.
- December 6. Grace Church, Camden, I said Morning Prayer, baptized one adult, confirmed three persons, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion. Same place, said Evening Prayer, and baptized one infant in private.
- December 8. St. Philip's, Bradford Springs, I preached and confirmed one person, with Communion.
- December 10. Claremont Church, Stateburg, I preached, confirmed three persons and addressed them, and celebrated Holy Communion.
- December 13. St. Mark's, Clarendon, I preached and celebrated Holy Communion. At night, addressed a Methodist congregation of colored people.
- December 16. Trinity Church, Columbia. By request of the Bishop of Alabama, ordained Rev. J. H. Stringfellow to the Priesthood.
- December 20. Zion Church, Richland, preached and confirmed three persons and celebrated the Communion.
- December 21. Baptized one infant.
- December 22. St. John's, Richland, I preached and celebrated Holy Communion.
- December 24. Consented to the consecration of Dr. Scarborough, Bishop elect, of New Jersey.
- December 25. Celebrated Holy Communion at St. Philip's.
- December 26. Consented to consecration of Dr. Dudley, Assistant Bishop elect of Kentucky.
- December 27. Consecrated Christ Church, Christ Church Parish, I made an address and celebrated Holy Communion. At night I preached in St. Andrew's Chapel, Mt. Pleasant, and confirmed five persons, and addressed them.
- December 29. Assisted at a funeral at St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro'.
- December 30. Assisted at a marriage in St. Philip's, Charleston.

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January 3. Celebrated Holy Communion in St. Philip's. At night, in Calvary Church, I preached and confirmed four persons.

January 8. Met and presided in the Columbia Convocation, in Trinity Church, Columbia. Deposed W. H. Johnson from the Priesthood.

January 10. Trinity Church, Columbia, I preached and confirmed twenty-six persons and addressed them, and celebrated the Communion. At night, in St. Luke's congregation, I preached and confirmed three persons.

January 12. Holy Comforter, Sumter, confirmed one person and made an address—weather very stormy.

January 15. St. Matthew's Parish, preached and confirmed four persons, with Communion.

January 17. Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg, preached and celebrated Holy Communion. Said Evening Prayer.

January 24. Mission in St. Peter's Parish, I preached and confirmed five persons and celebrated Holy Communion.

January 27. Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell, I preached and gave the Communion, and at night confirmed one person.

January 29. Consented to the Consecration of Dr. Gillespie, Bishop elect of Western Michigan.

January 31. Holy Trinity, Grahamville, I preached and gave Holy Communion.

Preached again in the same place in the afternoon.

February 2. Assisted at a funeral in St. Michael's, Charleston.

February 3. Met the Standing Committee of the Diocese for conference.

Assisted at a funeral in St. Philip's.

February 5. Mission at Allendale, I preached and celebrated the Communion.

February 7. Prince William's Parish, I preached and gave the Communion.

Administered the Communion in private to an aged person.

February 12. Mission at Toogoodoo, I preached and confirmed one person, with Communion.

February 14. Church of the Ascension, Combahee, I preached and celebrated Communion.

February 15. Mission at the Ochietie, I preached and gave the Communion.

February 17. Church of the Holy Cross, Bluffton, I preached and gave the Communion.

In the same Church, preached again in the afternoon.

February 21. St. Jude's, Walterboro', preached and confirmed seven persons and celebrated the Communion. In the afternoon preached again, and at night preached to a Presbyterian congregation of colored people.

February 26. Assisted at a funeral in St. Philip's Church.

February 24. Met standing Committee for conference.

February 28. St. Andrew's Parish, Burkner's Chapel, preached, and confirmed thirteen persons.

Magwood's Chapel, preached, and confirmed fifteen persons.

Magnolia Chapel, preached, and confirmed two persons.

March 3. Preached in Grace Church, Charleston.

March 7. Preached in St. Philip's, Charleston, and celebrated the Communion.

Preached in St Stephen's, Charleston.

Presided at a Missionary meeting in St. Philip's Church, in behalf of Western Texas. Bishop Elliott preached.

March 10. In St. Luke's, Charleston, I terminated and remitted the sentence of deposition pronounced on Wm. H. Johnson.

Confirmed one sick person in private.

March 13. Confirmed one sick person in private, in Aiken.

March 14. Church of St. Thaddæus, Aiken, I preached, and confirmed nine persons, and celebrated Holy Communion.

March 21. St. Thomas and St. Dennis, I preached, and confirmed seven persons, and celebrated the Communion.

In the Chapel at Cainhoy I preached again at night.

March 26. Preached in St. Philip's Church.

March 28. Church of the Holy Communion, I preached, and confirmed twenty-two persons, with Communion.

At night in St. Philip's, I preached again.

March 29. Visited School of the Holy Communion.

April 3. Officiated at a funeral in St. Michael's Church.

April 4. Grace Church, Charleston, I preached, and confirmed thirteen persons.

Christ Church, Charleston, I preached, and confirmed six persons.

April 11. St. Michael's, I preached, and confirmed nine persons, with Communion.

Assisted at a funeral in St. Mark's Church.

St. Stephen's, I preached, and confirmed ten persons.

April 18. St. Paul's, confirmed ten persons and addressed them, and administered the Communion.

St. Mark's, I preached, and confirmed thirteen persons.

April 25. St. Philip's, I preached, and confirmed three persons, with Communion.

At night, in St. John's Chapel, I preached, and confirmed seventeen persons.

April 27. Confirmed one sick person in private.

Gave consent to consecration of Dr. Jaggar, Bishop elect of Southern Ohio.

May 1. Met Bishop's Aid Society of St. Philip's Church.

May 2. Preached in St. Michael's Church.

May 6. Ascension Day, at a united service in the Church of the Holy Communion, I preached, and celebrated the Communion.

May 9. St. Luke's, Charleston, made brief address.

May 10. Met the Board of Missions.

May 12. St. Philip's Church. At the commemoration service, celebrating the two hundredth year of the planting of the Church of England within the "Province of Carolina," I preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. A memorable service, in which the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese united.

APPENDIX II.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee organized on the 3d of June by the election of Rev. C. C. Pinckney as President, and Mr. W. A. Pringle Secretary.

They have held regular meetings on the first Wednesday of every month.

They have recommended as Postulant, Mr. Percival H. Whaley, and as a candidate for Priest's Orders, Mr. Edwin C. Steele.

They have given their canonical consent to the consecration of the Rev. Thomas W. Dudley, D. D., as assistant Bishop of Kentucky; of Rev. John Scarborough, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of New Jersey; of Rev. George D. Gillespie, as Bishop of Western Michigan; and of Rev. Thos. A. Jaggar, D. D., as Bishop of Southern Ohio.

The Committee refused to consent to the consecration of Rev. Dr. DeKoven as Bishop of Illinois.

They gave unanimous consent to the restoration, by the Bishop, of Rev. Wm. H. Johnson to the ministry.

C. C. PINCKNEY, *President.*

APPENDIX III.

A.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee has made a review of the state of the Church in the Diocese, as exhibited by the Bishop in his Address, and by the Parochial Reports of the Clergy.

We have examined *sixty-six* reports—the reports of All Saints, Waccamaw, Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg, and St. Paul's Church, in St. George's Parish, not having been put in our hands.

For the information of the Convention, the Committee has aggregated the amounts contributed to the various objects of Church work, as follows :

For Parochial purposes	\$60,428 90
For Diocesan purposes.	2,986 79
For Domestic Missions.	471 70
For Foreign Missions	387 12
For University of the South	472 56
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	\$64,647 07

The Convention will notice that there is a falling off here, in the total, from the sum reported last year; and in the case of Domestic Missions, by \$1,001 89.

Your Committee would call special attention to the Bishop's timely suggestions on the subject of the obligations of our Parishes to the work of Christ beyond their own immediate limits. A careful review of the Reports put into the hands of the Committee, shows that, during the past year, Parishes have been more than ever neglectful of this essential duty.

Among the items of interest in the Diocese, your Committee note that the Columbia Convocation, under the Bishop's direction, has agreed to do such mission work as he may ask for. One suspended Parish has been restored to the active list. Laymen and laywomen are more than ever interested in good works in our Lord's name among the poor, the helpless, the sick, and the afflicted. The noble work of the Holy Communion Institute continues to lead the van of our charities. Your Committee would bear a grateful record of the continual offerings made to this Institution from brethren beyond the Diocese, and would also urge our own people to give of their means to the same good end. We note with pleasure the advent among us of two clerical brethren from abroad, and trust that our vacant Parishes may be soon resuscitated, and our clergy list brought back at least to its old figure. But we regret to note that several important Parishes are now vacant, and would commend the effort which is now being made by All Saints' and Prince Frederick's, Pee Dee, jointly, to obtain the services of a Rector. We would also call attention to the increased efforts reported in several Parishes, among our churchwomen, who in many instances are taking up with zeal and faith important Parish enterprises, and carrying them on under their Rectors by their loving devotion to Christ and His cause.

Our Missionaries, though few in number, are doing hard and self-denying work, and those who are laboring among and for the colored people, are more than ever devoted and zealous. Your Committee would earnestly bring the attention of the Church in the Diocese to our only Diocesan paper, the *Monthly Record*. Two hundred more subscribers would free the paper from present embarrassments. Will not each Rector and each lay delegate, on his return to his Parish, make a true effort to send at least three new subscribers to the *Record*. Some can do better; others may not do so well; but surely we can sustain our paper if we make an earnest effort. The Committee have to report that but few of our Parishes have responded to the call for offerings to the University of the South and the venerable Society for the

Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy. We also recommend that the form in which the Parish reports were heretofore printed be employed in the publication of the forthcoming Journal, and that the resolution making a change in this form be rescinded. And, lastly, we would urge the clergy to be more systematic and pains-taking in making out their Parochial reports, and would urge that the blanks furnished by the Secretary be employed for this purpose in each instance. It would greatly lessen the labors of your Committee, and materially effect the interest of our report.

ELLISON CAPERS, *Chairman.*

APPENDIX III.

B.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance beg leave to report that upon examining the annual statement of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Fund they find the net income is only \$3,908.14, which is \$91.86 less than the salary of the Bishop; \$2,973.39 of this amount is derived from the interest and dividends of the vested funds, and \$952.75 from the quotas of the several parishes of the Diocese. The assessment heretofore made by a Standing Resolution is the equivalent of fifty cents for each communicant. If this assessment was fully met it should yield at least \$1,500, instead of \$952.75, as stated, and we would thus have an accumulation of receipts which might go to the increase of the Fund, instead of a deficiency, which, fortunately, has been met by a balance in the treasury of the previous year. Brethren, ought this so to be? Is this Church so poor that its members cannot afford to pay fifty cents a year for the support of our chief Pastor? We know it is not, and, therefore, conclude that the deficiency arises from oversight or neglect somewhere.

By a Canon just passed, the assessment, with a view to making it permanent, has been reduced to twenty-five cents. While this may do hereafter, your Committee submit that it is not sufficient for the present, and they, therefore, recommend for the coming year an additional assessment of twenty-

five cents, making fifty cents, in all, as heretofore. As the Committee have, on former occasions, recommended several modes of reaching the difficulty, they refrain from suggesting any special plan, but commend the subject to the earnest consideration of the Pastors and people, hoping they will do their whole duty to the Church in this Diocese and its Episcopate.

They have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention and found them to be correct.

The expenditures for the past year have been \$639.37, and receipts \$817.78. The balance on hand at the commencement of last year was \$112.09. The balance on hand at this date is \$290.50. There is due from this Diocese for expenses of last General Convention, not yet called for, about \$350. There is thus a deficit of about \$60.

There is due the Convention Fund from parishes, prior to 1872, \$10; for 1872, \$26.45; for 1873, \$129.75; for 1874, \$287.90. This is divided as follows: Christ Church Parish, 1873 and 1874, \$25; St. Helena, 1874, \$5.10; St. John's, John's Island, 1874, \$21.50; St. Mark's, Clarendon, 1874, \$1.25. St. Matthew's Parish, 1872, 1873, 1874, \$11.55; Trinity Church, Edisto, 1871, 1872, 1873 and 1874, \$38.80; St. Paul's, Pendleton, 1872 and 1874, \$21.70; Grace Church, Camden, 1874, \$18.25; St. Philip's, Bradford Springs, 1874, \$12.50; St. Thaddæus, Aiken, 1873 and 1874, \$34.50; St. Luke's, Newberry, 1874, \$1.25; Holy Communion, Charleston, 1873 and 1874, \$59.70; Holy Apostles, Barnwell, 1873 and 1874, \$18.50; Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg, 1872, 1873 and 1874, \$13.68; Trinity Church, Black Oak, 1873 and 1874, \$17.50; St. Luke's, Charleston, 1873 and 1874, \$98.50; Holy Comforter, Sumter, 1873 and 1874, \$15; St. John's, Winnsboro', 1874, \$15.75; Epiphany, Upper St. John's, 1874, \$1.50; St. Stephen's, Pineville, 1874, \$1.50; St. Paul's, Summerville, 1874, \$13.80; Christ's Church, Mar's Bluff, 1874, \$3.75; Christ's Church, Willtown, 1873 and 1874, \$11.55.

The Treasurer reports as in arrears for three years and over, Trinity Church, Edisto; Church of the Epiphany, Laurens;

(this Church has made no payment since 1870) and Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg.

The assessment of twenty-five cents for each communicant is considered ample if the parishes will promptly respond.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN HANCKEL,
JOHN B. PALMER.
W. C. COURTNEY.

Bishop Permanent Fund in Account with Evan Edwards, Treasurer, year ending April 30, 1875.

	Dr.	Cr.
To Amounts paid, viz :		
Bishop's Salary.....	\$3999 96	
Incidental Expenses.....	224 63	
By Amounts received, viz :		
Balance from last year.....		\$2348 96
Interest on Private Bonds.....		125 74
Interest on Savannah Bonds.....		486 25
Interest on Atlanta Bonds.....		237 40
Interest on South Carolina Railroad Company Bonds.....		595 00
Interest on Northeastern Railroad Company Bonds.....		160 00
Interest on Charleston, Aug. and C R. R. Co's Bonds....		381 40
Interest on Charleston Six Per Cent. Stock.....		1012 09
Interest on Gas Stock.....		106 00
Interest on Bank Charleston Stock.....		6 00
Interest on Union Bank Stock.....		20 00
Quotas of Churches, viz :		
Church Epiphany, Upper St. John's, for 1873.....		20 00
" Messiah, North Santee, for 1873.....		19 00
" St. John's, Berkeley, for 1873 and '74.....		31 00
" Grace, Charleston, for 1873, '74.....		84 92
" Christ, Greenville, for 1874.....		43 50
" Sheldon, Prince Williams, for 1874.....		8 50
" St. Thaddæus, Aiken, ".....		50 00
" Christ, Charleston, ".....		12 50
" Trinity, Abbeville, ".....		22 50
" Our Saviour, Rock Hill. ".....		10 00
" Good Shepherd, Yorkville, ".....		14 50
" St. John's, Richland, ".....		7 00
" Holy Cross, Stateburg, ".....		26 00
" Ascension, Combahee, ".....		5 00
" St. Andrew's, Christ Church, ".....		16 00
" Zion, Richland, ".....		7 00
" Holy Comforter, Sumter, ".....		7 00
" St. James', Santee, ".....		10 00
" St Marks, Clarendon, ".....		4 25
" Cross, Bluffton, ".....		10 00
" Grace, Camden, ".....		35 50
Amounts carried forward	\$4224 59	\$5923 01

Bishop's Permanent Fund.--[Continued.]

	Dr.	Cr.
Amounts brought forward	\$4224 59	\$5923 01
Church St. Thomas and St. Dennis,		20 97
“ St. Stephen's, Ridgeway,		7 00
“ Grace, Anderson,		4 50
“ St. Luke's, Newberry,		9 50
“ Nativity, Union,		19 50
“ St. Jude's, Walterboro',		4 00
“ Holy Trinity, Grahamville,		12 00
“ All Saints, Waccamaw,		13 50
“ St. Mark's, Chester,		9 00
“ Trinity, Columbia,		60 00
“ Trinity, Society Hill,		14 00
“ Advent, Spartanburg,		1 25
“ Calvary, Glenn Springs,		7 00
“ St. Philip's, Bradford Springs		3 00
“ St. Stephen's, St. Stephen's,		1 00
“ Prince Frederick's, Pee Dee,		16 00
“ St. Paul's, Charleston, for 1874 and '75.....		150 00
“ Prince George's, Winyaw, 1775		41 00
“ St. David's, Cheraw,		39 50
“ St. Michael's, Charleston,		100 00
“ Midway Mission,		3 00
“ St. Stephen's Free Church, Charleston, for 1875.....		12 00
“ Holy Communion, Charleston, for 1875.....		11 00
To Balance at Credit	2257 14	
	6481 73	6481 73

EVAN EDWARDS, *Treasurer.*

QUOTAS PAID AFTER MAY 1, 1875.

	Dr.	Cr.
St. Helena Church, Beaufort, 1875.....		\$31 50
Grace Church, Charleston.....		33 28
St. Luke's, Walterboro'.....		19 00

1875. May	1874. May	Amount brought forward.....	Amount brought forward.....
12 To Balance brought down.....	16 By St. Helena Church, Beaufort.....	\$639.37	5 15
	18 By Church Messiah, North Santee.....	257 97	9 50
	18 By St. Luke's Church, Newberry.....		4 75
	18 By Grace Church, Anderson.....		1 50
	18 By St. Stephen's Church, Pineville.....		1 00
	18 By St. Stephen's Parish.....		1 50
	May 28 By Trinity Church, Society Hill.....		7 00
	28 By Church of Advent, Spartanburg.....		13 00
	28 By Calvary Church, Glenn Springs.....		3 50
	28 By St. Mark's Church, Clarendon.....		7 25
June 1 By St. Stephen's Church, Ridgeway.....			3 50
July 17 By Grace Church, Charleston.....			56 75
Oct. 2 By St. Jude's Church, Walterboro'.....			75
1875.			
Jan. 15 By St. Michael's Church, Charleston.....			22 00
28 By St. Paul's Church, Summerville.....			30 00
April 2 By St. Philip's Church, Charleston.....			89 25
28 By Church Holy Communion, Charleston.....			36 00
28 By St. Stephen's Church, Charleston.....			5 10
May 5 By St. Helena Church, Beaufort.....			12 50
10 By St. Paul's Church, Charleston.....			122 65
11 By St. John's, Berkeley.....			7 75
11 By St. Luke's Church, Charleston.....			29 55
	Total.....	\$897 34	\$897 34
	12 By Balance brought down.....		\$257 97
	12 By St. David's, Cheraw, for 1875, paid April 2.....		19 75
	12 By St. Stephen's Charleston, for 1875, pd April 28.		4 03
	12 By St. John's, Berkeley, for 1875, pd May 11.....		8 75
	Total.....	\$897 34	

E. H. FROST, *Treasurer.**Charleston May 12th, 1875.*

APPENDIX III.

C.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Board of Missions for the Diocese respectfully report to the Convention that they have held *four* meetings during the past year, have assisted *twenty-one* distinct Parishes, and paid \$4,139.58 for Missionaries' salaries.

They have added St. John's Church, John's Island; the Church on Edisto; St. Mark's Church, Clarendon; the Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell; St. John's Church, Florence; and the Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg, to their list of Missionary stations. They have continued their appropriations to the City Mission at Charleston, believing it to be an important field, embracing as it does the Hospitals and Alms-house, and they have endeavored to respond, as far as was practicable, to every application made to them for assistance.

The Reports of the Missionaries show 147 infant and 42 adult baptisms, 78 confirmations, 65 communicants added, 24 marriages, and 128 burials. These items, as compared with those of the last annual report, show an increase of 46 infant baptisms, 21 confirmations, and 11 communicants added.

The amounts received by the Board from all sources are \$4,143.66, of which \$306.31 were from collections and donations; \$176.18 from mite chest offerings; \$580 from annual subscribers to the Advancement Society, and \$3,081.17 from interest on the bonds and stocks of the same.

APPENDIX III.

D.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report that on examining the Journal of 1874, they find the following items of unfinished business :

1. Page 27. Resolution of Rev. P. F. Stevens, "That a Committee of three of the clergy, two of whom shall be from the city, be appointed to take into consideration the list of objects for general offerings suggested by the Committee on the State of the Church, and report the Sunday for each that may seem to them most suitable for such offerings, to be made by the whole Diocese."

2. Page 27. Resolution of Mr. R. W. Shand, "That the further consideration of the report from the Committee on the Constitution and Canons be postponed until the next Convention," viz: the present Convention.

3. Page 29. Certain constitutional amendments proposed by Mr. T. M. Hanckel, and others proposed by Mr. Edward McCrady, were passed by the last Convention, and should also be passed by the present or some subsequent Convention.

4. Page 72. From the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, made to the last Convention, they find the following items which were not acted on, viz :

1. Report of Special Committee on the Episcopal Residence, page 17, Journal MDCCCLXXIII.

2. "The proposed Canon, on the subject of Vestry and Wardens," &c., postponed from the Convention of '72, has

not been acted upon, and should be finally disposed of at the present or some subsequent Convention. See Journal 1873, page 71.

3. The Committee further report that the postponed Canons, Rules of Order, etc., are to be found in the Journal of 1872, pages 140 to 157, the Canon of Vestry and Wardens on pages 158 to 160 of the same Journal.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. BELLINGER, *Chairman.*

APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

MADE TO THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF 1872.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom it was referred "to examine and revise the Canons, Rules of Order, and Standing Resolutions," and to report to this Convention, respectfully

REPORT :

That in view of the importance of more intimate knowledge, both among Clergy and Laity, of the Canons and other regulations of the Church, they have been impressed with the propriety of giving to these, our statutes, greater prominence, by publishing them in a separate and more permanent form, instead of appending them, as heretofore, to the Journal of the Convention.

Besides what the Committee believe to be the utility of this measure, it is recommended also on grounds of economy. An edition of one thousand copies, distributed as proposed, would last at least ten years; would cost certainly less than one edition of the Journal, and would reduce its annual cost perhaps one-fifth.

With this end in view, it seemed proper to subject the whole matter which would enter into such a publication to a careful revision, in order to give to it as much permanence as possible. They have, therefore, taken the liberty to suggest such alterations and additions to the Canons, etc., as in their judgment tend to perfect our system of law.

Considering it equally important that at least such portion of the general law of the Church as concerns all its members should be more accessible to all, they further suggest the propriety of embracing in the same publication the Constitution, and such extracts from the Canons of the General Convention.

In pursuance of these views, the Committee herewith submit the following proposed Constitution, Canons, Rules of Order, etc., together with the following resolutions :

1st. *Resolved*, That one thousand copies of the proposed Revised Constitution, Canons, etc., be published in separate form, and distributed as follows, to wit : To each Clergyman of the Diocese, two copies ; to each Vestry, five copies ; to the Bishop, five copies ; and the remainder reserved by the Secretary of the Convention for future distribution.

2d. *Resolved*, That this report be appended to the Journal of this Convention, and the consideration of it deferred until the next Convention.

3d. *Resolved*, That the present Constitution, Canons, Rules of Order, and Standing Resolutions be omitted from the Journal of this Convention.

[NOTE BY THE SECRETARY.—This Report having been taken up for consideration by the Convention of 1873, all the proposed amendments to the Constitution were adopted, except that to Art. III., Sec. 4. The first five Canons were also adopted, with slight amendments to Canons II., IV., and V., and a Canon numbered X., adopted.—“*Of the Registrar.*”

In 1874 these Canons were referred back to the Committee who presented to this Convention the following Report :]

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to whom Canons I., II., III. and IV. were referred by the last Convention (p. 26) to inquire and report whether there be any inconsistency between them and the Constitution, and if so to remodel them,

Respectfully report: That in discharging the duty

assigned them, they have taken occasion carefully to revise the entire report submitted by them to the Convention in 1872, (see Journal, p. 128) and ask leave to propose sundry amendments, as well to that portion of the Report which has been acted upon, as to that yet to be considered.

These amendments are embodied in the following resolutions :

[*N. B. The Resolutions proposing amendments to the Constitution having been all concurred in, and the whole body of the Canons adopted, instead of printing the Report as handed in, the original Report here follows, as amended by them.*]

CONSTITUTION,
CANONS AND RULES OF ORDER
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN SOUTH CAROLINA,
TOGETHER WITH
THE CONSTITUTION
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE UNITED STATES,
AND

Extracts from the Canons of the General Convention.



CONSTITUTION
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE
DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

ARTICLE I.

The Church in this Diocese accedes to, and adopts the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges their authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

Of Convention—Meetings.

SECTION I. A stated Convention shall be held annually in Charleston, on the second Thursday in May, or at such time and place as shall have been determined upon by the preceding Convention.

SEC. II. The Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese shall have power to call a special meeting of the Convention, and such meeting shall be held when and where the authority so calling it shall determine; and at such meeting no other business shall be transacted than that specified in the notice so calling said meeting; nor shall a Bishop or Assistant Bishop be elected at such meeting.

SEC. III. In case there be an epidemic disease, or other cause deemed sufficient, in the judgment of the Ecclesiastical authority, to require a change of the time or place for the meeting of a Convention, either stated or special, the said

authority may designate another time or place for holding such meeting, to be held within not less than a month after such designation.

ARTICLE III.

Of Convention—Members.

SECTION. I. The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.

SEC. II. The Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, and every other Clergyman, who has been actually, as well as canonically, resident within the Diocese for the space of twelve calendar months next before the meeting of the Convention, and has for the same period been performing the duties of his station as Rector, Minister, or Assistant Minister of a Parish; or as a Missionary acting under the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; or as a Chaplain in any public or benevolent institution; or as a Professor in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, or who, after a continued service of at least twenty years in this Diocese, by the infirmities of health or age may have been incapacitated for further active duties of the Ministry, and has presented his Annual Report to the Ecclesiastical authority, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of the Convention.

SEC. III. Every other Clergyman in good standing, canonically resident in the Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Convention, except the right to vote.

SEC. IV. Lay Delegates, not exceeding four in number, shall be elected by each Parish or congregation in union with this Convention, from among the members thereof, to represent it in the Convention. Such Deputies shall serve for one stated Convention, and shall, before they are permitted to take their seats, produce written testimonials of their election. For special Conventions, special elections shall be held.

SEC. V. No Deputy shall hereafter represent two distinct Churches, or shall, in any case, have more than one vote.

SEC. VI. A Lay member having taken his seat in the Convention as a Deputy from any Church, shall not (without the

unanimous consent of the Convention) be permitted to relinquish his seat and take his seat as the Deputy of another Church.

ARTICLE IV.

Of a Quorum.

Ten members of the clerical order, and lay representatives of *ten* Churches, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally; but any number of either order that shall assemble, may adjourn from day to day until a quorum is formed.

ARTICLE V.

Of the President.

The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex officio* President of the Convention, and in his absence, the Assistant Bishop, *if there be one*. But in case neither of them be present, the President of the Standing Committee shall be the President of the Convention; and, if he be not present, a presiding officer shall be elected from among the attending presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

Of the other Officers of the Diocese.

SECTION I. The other Officers of the Diocese shall be a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Registrar.

SEC. II. The Secretary shall be elected at each Annual Convention, by ballot, (unless the ballot be unanimously dispensed with,) and shall continue in office until his successor be appointed. His duties shall be as prescribed by the Canons, Resolutions, and Rules of Order of the Convention, and required by the regulations of the General Convention.

SEC. III. The Treasurer shall be elected in like manner. His duties shall be those prescribed and required as above, and he, also, shall continue in office until his successor be appointed.

SEC. IV. The Registrar shall be appointed by the Bishop, to serve for three years, and until his successor be appointed, his duties shall be prescribed by Canon.

ARTICLE VII.

Of Deliberating and Voting in Convention.

SECTION I. On all questions, unless otherwise provided by the Constitution, the members shall deliberate and vote as one body; but any two clergyman, or the deputies from any two Churches, may call for a separate vote of each Order, when the clergy shall vote individually, and the lay deputies by Churches, (a majority from each Church having one vote,) and a majority in both Orders shall, in each case, be necessary to a decision. And whenever a vote is taken by ballot, the balloting shall be by Orders.

SEC. II. In the election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop, the vote shall be by ballot, and by Orders, a concurrent majority of the two Orders being necessary to a choice. *Provided*, that *two-thirds* of all the clergy entitled to vote, and *two-thirds* of the Churches entitled to representation be present; otherwise *two-thirds* of the votes of each Order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

ARTICLE VIII.

Of Admitting Parishes or Churches into the Convention.

New Parishes or Churches, having not less than *twelve* male adult members, and *twenty* communicants, may be admitted into union with the Convention, in the following manner. They shall make application in writing to the Secretary of the Convention, presenting therewith a certificate from the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, from the Standing Committee, that he or they approve the organization of their Church, and stating the fact of such organization in accordance with the Constitution and Canons of the Church, the election of Wardens and Vestrymen, their means or prospects for the support of a Minister, and their willingness to conform

to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and the Constitution and Canons of the Convention of this Diocese, which are now or hereafter may be enacted by the authority of the same. And at the Convention next succeeding the receipt of such application, the Secretary shall communicate the same to the Convention, on the first day of its session: Whereupon, the Convention shall take such order upon it, as they may deem proper. In case the congregation so applying be within the limits of one or more existing Churches, they shall state also the reasons for their organization, the distance of their place of worship from the other, or from each of the others, together with whatever additional facts may throw light upon their relation to the existing Church or Churches.

Should the Convention make a favorable decision, the said congregation shall then be considered in union with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese; *Provided*, always, that the deputies of the Church or Parish newly admitted, though entitled to a seat, shall not be allowed a vote at that meeting of the Convention. And no Lay vote shall be received from any Parish or Church which has failed for *three successive years* to elect a Vestry, or to send Deputies to the Convention, or to pay its quota to the Convention, until admitted by a vote of the Convention. And unless all arrears due *to the Convention, and to the Bishop's Fund* are paid, such Parish or Church *shall not* be admitted, except by unanimous consent of the Convention. *Provided*, That such Church, if it prefer, may apply to be admitted as a new Parish or Church.

ARTICLE IX.

Of the Standing Committee.

SECTION I. A Standing Committee, consisting of five Presbyters of the Diocese, and five Laymen, taken indiscriminately from among the actual communicants of the Church of the Diocese, shall be elected by ballot at every regular meeting of the Convention, for the purposes expressed in the Constitutions and Canons of the General and Diocesan

Conventions, who shall continue in office until another Committee be appointed.

SEC. II. At their first meeting after their appointment they shall choose one of the Presbyters of their body to be their President, and another of their body to be their Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep regular minutes of all the proceedings and business of the Committee, to preserve them carefully recorded in a book provided for that purpose alone ; to preserve the originals of all letters and papers addressed to the Standing Committee ; to attest their public acts ; to perform such other duties as they may require, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Standing Committee which may have been entrusted to him.

SEC. III. They shall present to each Annual Convention an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Convention.

SEC. IV. Vacancies in this Committee, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be supplied by the suffrages of the remaining members, a majority of the whole Committee being necessary to constitute a choice.

ARTICLE X.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

SECTION I. At every stated Convention next preceding a meeting of the General Convention, four Presbyters and four Laymen shall be chosen by ballot, to represent this Diocese in General Convention. Immediately afterwards, four other Presbyters, and four other Laymen shall also be chosen by ballot, as substitutes for the first chosen. Such representatives and substitutes to serve until their successors are appointed.

SEC. II. In case any deputy of those first chosen shall decline such appointments, or be unable to attend, he shall forthwith inform the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, and the said Ecclesiastical authority shall thereupon summon to the General Convention one of the substitutes in the order

in which their names are on the Journal, which order shall be the order of their election ; or when two or more are elected at one balloting, shall be determined by the aggregate vote received.

ARTICLE XI.

Of the Trial of a Clergyman.

A Clergyman shall be subject to a trial for offences enumerated in the Canon of the General Convention, "*of offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished*," and in the Canons of this Convention. The trial shall be conducted according to the mode provided for by the Canons of this Convention.

ARTICLE XII.

Of Altering the Constitution.

No one of these articles shall be altered or repealed, nor shall any article be adopted, unless such alteration, repeal, or new article be proposed, considered, and concurred in by a majority at one Convention, and adopted by two-thirds of both orders present at a subsequent Convention.

CANONS.*

1. *Of the Organized Bodies and Officers of the Church.*

CANON I.

Of the Clergy.

SECTION I. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, shall prepare or cause to be prepared a list of all Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Parishes or Cures, or of their stations as Missionaries, or of the institutions of learning, constituted by Civil or Ecclesiastical authority, in which they are engaged; or in regard to those not engaged in Parishes, Missions, or Institutions of learning as above, their place of residence only; designating those who are entitled to all the privileges of the Convention, and those who are entitled to seats but not to votes. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, on the first day of meeting, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom; and it shall be taken as presumptive evidence of the privileges of Clergymen in the Convention. *Provided*, that if question be made, the rights of any Clergyman shall be determined, according to the provisions of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid or not.

SEC. II. No Clergyman while suspended from the Ministry, shall have a place on said list.

SEC. III. The Bishop shall take such measures for notifying the admission of Ministers into the Diocese, as may prevent

*These Canons having been adopted by the Convention, are now the Canons of the Diocese.

unwary and ignorant people from being imposed upon by persons pretending to be authorized Ministers of the Church; and his certificate shall be evidence of such admission.

CANON II.

Of the Organization of Congregations as Churches.

SECTION I. Whenever any number of persons, including at least —— male adults, *two* of whom shall be communicants, may desire to form a Church, they shall first lay before the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese a statement of their condition, and prospect for maintaining such organization; and having obtained his consent, and assumed some name by which their Church may be designated, shall adopt articles of association, in the following form :

“ We, the undersigned, assembled for the purpose of organizing a congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church, at ——, County of ——, in the Diocese of South Carolina, after due notice given, do hereby agree to organize a Congregation, to be known by the name of —— Church, ——; and as such, do hereby acknowledge, accede to, and adopt, the doctrine, discipline, and worship, the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and the Constitution and Canons of the same Church in the Diocese of South Carolina, and do accordingly appoint A. B. and C. D. to be Wardens, and E. F., G. H., J. K., etc., to be Vestrymen of —— Church, to continue in office until Easter-Monday, A. D. ——, and until others be chosen in their place.

“ Witness our hands this —— day of ——, in the year of our Lord ——.”

A certified copy of their Articles of Association shall be laid before the Ecclesiastical authority, by every congregation desiring to be recognized as a part of the Church in this Diocese, and subject to the Ecclesiastical jurisdiction thereof. And any Church so organized and recognized shall be an integral part of the Church in the Diocese, whether admitted into the union with the Convention or not.

SEC. II. Whenever such organization is proposed within the bounds of any existing Parish or Parishes, they shall give due notice to the Minister or Ministers thereof; or, if the Parish or Parishes be without a Minister, then to the Vestry, or Vestries of the same.

SEC. III. In forwarding to the Ecclesiastical authority their application for permission to organize a new Parish, they shall enclose the written approval or disapproval of the Minister or Ministers, the Vestry or Vestries, aforesaid; and if he or they fail to give either a certificate of the fact.

CANON III.

Of Parishes and Churches in union with the Convention.

SECTION I. Whenever any Church shall apply to be admitted into union with the Convention, in addition to the constitutional requirements, they shall present a certified copy of their articles of association, together with their application for admission.

SEC. II. It shall be the duty of every Parish or Church in union with the Convention, to send Deputies—one at least—to every Convention.

SEC. III. Such Deputies shall present a certificate, signed by either the Rector, the Secretary of the Vestry, or one of the Wardens, in the following form :

“ DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, }
 ——— — Parish, ———. }

This certifies that at a meeting of the Vestry of _____ Church, _____, held on the _____ day of _____, A. D. 18—, A, B, C, D, were duly appointed to represent the same, in the _____ Convention of the Diocese of South Carolina, to be held on the _____ day of _____, A. D., 18—. (Signed) _____."

SEC. IV. It shall be the duty of every Vestry to forward to the Secretary of the Convention, *at least one week* before the meeting of the Convention, a certified list of the Deputies appointed to represent their Church, in order to aid him in preparing a list of members of the Convention.

CANON IV.

Of Dormant Parishes or Churches.

SECTION I. If any Parish or Church shall have failed for three successive years to elect a Vestry or to send Deputies to the Convention, or to make the Reports required by Section 1, of Canon XV., Title I. of the General Convention, or to pay the assessments made by the Convention, such Parish or Church shall be considered dormant.

SEC. II. Parishes or Churches may be restored to union with the Convention by complying with the provisions of the Constitution, and of Canons II. and III. of this Diocese.

SEC. III. It shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to adopt the measures necessary to preserve the property of such Parishes or Churches as may be dormant or virtually extinct.

CANON V.

Of Annual Parish Meetings.

There shall be an annual meeting of the members of every Parish or Church in this Diocese, on Easter Monday, or some other day legally appointed, for the purpose of electing Wardens and Vestrymen, and of transacting such other business as may come before the said meeting, due notice of which meeting shall be given by the Minister or Vestry.

At these meetings the Rector shall preside; but if there be no Rector, or he be absent, then a presiding officer shall be chosen, and a Secretary be appointed.

The election of Wardens and Vestrymen shall be by ballot, and the qualifications of those who may vote shall be prescribed by the By-Laws of the Parish or Church.

The Vestry shall make to this meeting an annual report of their official acts during the year.

C A N O N V I .

Of Vestries.

SECTION I. In every Parish there shall be an annual election on Easter Monday, or on such day thereafter as may be appointed, of two Church Wardens, and not less than three nor more than seven Vestrymen, to continue in office for one year, and until their successors are appointed. The Wardens shall always be communicants.

SEC. II. The election shall always be by ballot, and its details, and also the qualifications of those elected, shall be regulated by the Articles of Association, or By-Laws of the Parish.

SEC. III. The Church Wardens and Vestrymen thus elected, together with the Rector, if there be one, and if not, then of themselves, shall constitute the Vestry, and shall be the official representatives of the Parish or Church. The Rector shall preside at all meetings, and in case of his absence, one of the Wardens shall preside. *Provided*, That the provisions of this section shall not interfere with existing laws and usages of established Churches.

SEC. IV. The Vestry shall have charge of the temporalities of the Church, and it shall be their duty to provide for all repairs, salaries, and current expenses, and to take all necessary steps to raise the funds required, and to keep a proper account of the same. They shall also execute all duties which are now or may hereafter be imposed upon them, by any General Convention, or Convention of the Diocese.

SEC. V. It shall be the especial duty of the Wardens to provide whatever may be necessary for the due celebration of Divine Worship, as books, vestments, etc.; also for the decency and comforts of the Church building and furniture, books for Church Records, and the elements of the Lord's Supper, and to put down all disorder during public worship. They shall be ready to collect "the alms and other devotions, of the people," and, in case the Parish or Church is without a Minister, shall receive and disburse them; and also provide for public worship by occasional clerical services, or by lay-

reading, as circumstances shall permit. They shall also, during such vacancy, take charge of the church plate, records, etc.; and shall present to the Bishop, at each Annual Convention, a report of the Parish. It shall, also, be their further duty to aid the Rector or Minister in all agencies and efforts for the advancement of the Church—as Sunday-schools, etc.—and they may report to the Bishop any irregularity in the mode of conducting public worship, and all offences by their Minister, or by any other officiating for him, against Rubrics or Canons, Faith or morals.

SEC. VI. The Pastoral connection shall not be dissolved until after three month's notice, on either side, by the Rector or Vestry, unless by joint consent, and in cases warranting presentment for trial. In every case of difference, either Rector or Vestry shall have the right of submitting the matter to the Ordinary.

SEC. VII. When a Parish is vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry to notify the Bishop of the fact, and also, to elect and invite a Rector; but not without due regard to the ascertained wishes of the congregation, and the opinion and advice of the Bishop.

CANON VII.

Of the Calling and Organization of Conventions.

SECTION I. Notice of the meeting of any Convention shall be given by the Secretary, in a printed letter, transmitted by mail, to every Clergyman and Parish in the Diocese. These letters shall contain a notice of the time and place of holding the Convention, and, if it be a special Convention, called, as provided in the Constitution, for a particular purpose, they shall specify that purpose. Those to the Clergy, shall also contain the form for Parochial Reports, and those to the Parishes, the form of Certificate for Deputies, and such extracts from the Constitution, Canons and Standing Resolutions, as relate to their appointment. They shall also state the quotas of the several Parishes to the various funds of the Diocese.

SEC. II. The Convention, thus summoned, shall always be opened with "Morning Prayer," a sermon, and the celebration

of the Lord's Supper, by the Bishop, if he be present, otherwise, by the President of the Standing Committee.

SEC. III. When the Convention shall have been called to order, the Secretary shall proceed to call the names of the Clergy, and then of Parishes and Deputies ; after which, if a quorum be found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized ; *Provided*, That no Deputy whose seat may be contested, shall have place on his list.

SEC. IV. Two Committees on Credentials shall then be appointed ; the first consisting of three Clergymen, to whom the roll of Clergy shall be referred ; the other, of three Laymen, to whom shall be referred the roll of Deputies, together with the certificates of their appointment, and the list of the Treasurer, required by Canon VIII., Section I. And these Committees severally, shall examine forthwith and report to the Convention upon the lists so referred ; the latter specifying in their report which Parishes are entitled to all the privileges of the Convention, and which are, by Article XII. of the Constitution, debarred from voting, until admitted by a vote of the Convention. Should the Committee have considered any certificates unsatisfactory, these shall be then taken up, and the question of their sufficiency settled.

CANON VIII.

Of the Secretary.

SECTION I. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a correct journal of the proceedings of the Convention, to attest its public acts, preserve its records, and deliver to his successor all books and papers belonging to it, or appertaining to its business. He shall also give notice, at least six weeks beforehand, to each Minister and Vestry, or congregation, of the time and place of any stated or special meeting of the Convention.

SEC. II. He shall transmit to each Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, to the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, and to the

Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of all journals of the Convention of this Diocese, and to every General Convention, a certified list of the Clergy of this Diocese, a certificate of the appointment of Deputies thereto, and a duplicate of the same to the Deputies themselves; he shall also furnish to the Secretary of the House of Deputies a list of persons nominated as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, together with all other documents required by the Canons and regulations of that body, and shall perform all other duties devolved upon him by said Canons and regulations.

SEC. III. Whenever there is a vacancy in the office of Secretary, its duties shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, if there be one, and if not, then upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

CANON IX.

Of the Treasurer.

SECTION I. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution is not otherwise regulated.

He shall keep regular accounts of all transactions, to be annually laid before the Convention, and shall faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor all books, papers, and funds relative or belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

SEC. II. He shall at the opening of every Annual Convention lay upon the Secretary's table a list of Parishes or Churches, which have failed to make the contributions required of them, specifying those which have for three successive years neglected to pay their quotas to the Convention.

SEC. III. He shall at or before the meeting of every General Convention, pay to the Treasurer of the same the quota of this Diocese towards defraying the expenses of that body.

SEC. IV. If the office of Treasurer should become vacant, the Standing Committee shall appoint a Treasurer, to serve until the next regular appointment by the Convention.

CANON X.

Of the Registrar.

It shall be the duty of the Registrar to collect and take charge of all documents and papers pertaining to the history of the Church in this Diocese, or in any one of its Parishes ; also to collect and keep for reference a set of the journals of this Diocese and of the General Convention, and to report annually to this Convention.

CANON XI.

Of the Missions of the Diocese.

SECTION I. The Church in this Diocese, acknowledging her share of responsibility to fulfil the parting injunction of her Lord, and her special obligation to extend the Gospel throughout her own limits, hereby affirms that every member of the Church is *ipso facto* a member of a missionary organization, which, for transacting business, is represented by the Bishop and members of the Diocesan Convention.

SEC. II. In order to further Missionary work, there shall be a special session of this body at the place of its annual meeting, and on the evening of the ——— day of its session. This shall be known as the Missionary Meeting of the Convention, whose President and Secretary shall be President and Secretary, and a constitutional quorum of the Convention, a quorum for the transaction of business.

At this meeting reports of the Missionaries shall be read, Missionary addresses delivered, and an Executive Board of Missions for the ensuing year elected.

SEC. III. The Board of Missions shall consist of the Bishop, as President, *ex-officio*, and eight members, *four* Clergymen and *four* Laymen, to wit: *One* Clergyman and *one* Layman from each Missionary District, and *one* Clergyman and *one* Layman from the Diocese at large, all of whom shall be communicants of the Church, and those from the Missionary Districts actually resident in the District they are ap-

pointed to represent, the Clergymen being also canonically resident in the Diocese.

SEC. IV. This Board shall meet for organization on the Monday next succeeding the annual meeting of the Convention, at which time they shall appoint their own Secretary and Treasurer, and adopt their own By-Laws. They shall hold other meetings, at least quarterly, in different parts of the Diocese, at such times and places as they may appoint. They shall be a council of advice to the Bishop, who shall designate stations, and appoint Missionaries thereto; and they shall devise means for securing funds for Missionary purposes, and make a full report to each Annual Convention, at its Missionary Meeting, of receipts and expenditures, of stations and Missionaries aided, and for what length of time, of churches and individuals contributing, and whatever may throw light upon the Missionary work of the Diocese.

SEC. 5. The travelling expenses of Missionaries, and of members of the Board, shall be paid out of the Missionary Treasury, if possible.

CANON XII.

Of Missionary Districts and Convocations.

SECTION I. This Diocese is hereby divided into *three* Missionary Districts, as follows :

The first to consist of the Counties of Oconee, Pickens, Anderson, Abbeville, Greenville, Laurens, Newberry, Union, Spartanburg, York, Chester, Fairfield, Richland, Lexington, and Edgefield.

The second of Lancaster, Kershaw, Sumter, Clarendon, Chesterfield, Darlington, Marlboro', Marion, Horry, Georgetown, Williamsburg, and that portion of Charleston being east of Cooper River, and the Parish of St. James', Goose Creek.

The third of the remainder of Charleston, Colleton, Beaufort, Barnwell, Aiken and Orangeburg.

SEC. II. These Missionary Districts shall be represented in Convocations, each to be composed of the clergy resident within the District, and of Laymen, not more than *three* from each organized congregation, or one from each Missionary station, to be chosen by such congregation, to represent them.

SEC. III. The Convocations shall be organized under the direction of the Bishop, who shall preside in them when present; but each shall also have its own President, to be appointed by the Bishop, on nomination of the Convocation. They shall meet at least twice in each year, and shall be specially charged with Missionary work within their several Districts.

SEC. IV. The Presidents of these Convocations, if not already members, may be present at any meeting of the Diocesan Board of Missions, but without the right to vote.

2. Of Ministers and their Duties.

CANON XIII.

Of the Parish Register and Reports.

SECTION I. Each clergyman shall keep a register of all Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, solemnized by him, or in his Parish by another Minister, and if he have cure of souls, a list of persons confirmed in his Parish or congregation, and of communicants, and baptized persons not communicants belonging to the same.

SEC. II. The Register, so kept, shall specify the name and date of birth of the person baptized, the names of parents and sponsors—in the case of an adult, the name, and those of the witnesses; the names of persons married and buried, with the date of every rite performed.

SEC. III. In every Parish these entries shall be made by the Minister, in a book provided by the Church Wardens for that purpose—and in case there be no Minister the Wardens themselves shall see that such registry be made—which book shall be known as the Parish Register, and preserved as part of the

records of the Church. And it shall be the duty of every Minister, in case of removal from a Parish, to deposit this Register with the Church Wardens.

SEC. IV. Every Minister, having charge of a Parish, or if any Parish be vacant, then the Wardens thereof shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, an accurate statement, in writing, of the number of families, members of the Church, specifying the adults, and the children under fourteen; the number of communicants, specifying the changes by admission, removal or death; the number of baptisms, infant and adult; of confirmations, marriages and burials; the state and condition of Sunday and Parochial Schools, if there be any; and also the number of times and the places where Divine service has been performed; the number of communions celebrated, the amount of offerings—for alms, for missions, diocesan, domestic, and foreign, for the Parish School, or any church institution, of assessments paid, of Rector's salary paid, paid for the support, and current or other expenses, of the parish, and in general, for all parochial, diocesan, or general objects; also, of any other matters which may tend to throw light upon the state of the Church.

SEC. V. And every other Clergyman shall also report his official acts, or if he have performed none, the reasons therefor.

SEC. VI. Such reports shall cover the period of a year, ending the 30th of April preceding the meeting of the Convention, and they, or such portion of them as the President shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and may be entered on the Journal thereof.

SEC. VII. In each case the white and colored persons shall be reported separately, and all reports shall be in the form of a schedule, prepared by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of this Canon. And the failure of any person to make out his Parochial Report according to this form, shall be deemed a sufficient cause for the exclusion of such report from the pages of the Journal.

CANON XIV.

Of Persons Wishing to Become Candidates for Orders.

Any person who desires to become a candidate for Orders in this Diocese shall make application in writing to the Standing Committee, stating his age and previous occupation. He will also be expected to furnish the Committee with the testimonials required by Canon II., Title I., of the General Convention, and give evidence that he has informed the Bishop of his intention, according to the requisitions of the same Canon.

CANON XV.

Candidates for Orders Ineligible, etc.

No person who is a candidate for Orders shall be admitted to a seat in this Convention as a lay delegate from any Parish or Church.

3. *Of Discipline.*

CANON XVI.

On the Trial of a Clergyman.

SECTION I. In order to bring a Minister to trial before an Ecclesiastical Court, a charge shall be made, in the first place to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese, setting forth the facts alleged, and the names of the witnesses who will prove the same, with copies of, or proper reference to any other evidence required. If the Standing Committee shall be of opinion that the facts charged will constitute any one or more of the offences enumerated in the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese, or of the General Convention, and that it would be for the good of the Church that further proceedings should be had, they shall ascertain whether there is proof sufficient to put the accused upon his trial; and, if satisfied, they shall thereupon

cause a presentment to be made to the Bishop, charging the accused with the offence or offences, which they deemed to be contained in the evidence, and specifying the facts with such reasonable certainty as to time, place and circumstance, as shall be sufficient for a judicial investigation.

SEC. II. The presentment having been made, the Bishop shall forthwith cause to be placed in a box the names of all the presbyters of this Diocese, who, for the time being are actually engaged in duty therein (excepting the accused, the presenting presbyters, and those on the Standing Committee); he shall then cause twelve of the said names to be drawn out by a child under ten years of age, and the said twelve names shall be inscribed on a list. The Bishop shall immediately cause a copy of the said list, and of the presentment; to be served on the accused, or to be left at his usual place of residence. Within thirty days thereafter, the accused shall strike off the names of three of the presbyters on the said list, and give notice thereof to the Bishop; and the Bishop shall thereupon send a list of the remaining presbyters to the President of the Standing Committee, who shall, within fifteen days thereafter, strike off the names of two more, and give notice thereof to the Bishop. If either party shall fail to notify the Bishop, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to strike off so many names as the party failing was required to strike off; and in each case the seven remaining presbyters, or any five of them, selected by lot, when previous to, or during the course of the trial, the entire seven cannot be present, shall constitute a Council for the trial of the accused.

SEC. III. The Council shall hold its session at such time and place as the Bishop may appoint; and its session shall be open only to members in actual Communion with this Church. It shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and upon good cause shown in behalf either of the accused or the prosecution, or on their own motion, to another place within the Diocese. If it fail to meet on the day appointed, it shall stand adjourned to the next day, and from day to day, for the space of three days, if it be not sooner formed; and if the

whole number do not attend, and it appears probable that a full attendance cannot be had, those of the Council who may be present, being not less than five, shall organize and appoint a President and Secretary—the first from their own body, and the latter from their own body or otherwise—and before proceeding to trial shall ordain and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted. It shall cause the oral testimony for and against the accused to be written down by the Secretary, and along with the depositions and other evidence read upon the trial, to be carefully preserved; and shall cause a journal to be kept of its proceedings. Some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may be called upon by the Council to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and upon all questions the common law shall furnish the rule, and the concurrence of a majority of the members present shall be sufficient for a decision.

SEC. IV. The Council, after it shall be organized, may appoint one or more of the profession of the law to be its assessors, who may be present at all its proceedings. It shall be their duty to give to the Council an opinion upon any question which may arise, upon which the Council, or any member thereof, or the prosecuting or accused party, shall desire an opinion, but without any voice in the decision of any question.

SEC. V. A written notice of the time and place of meeting of the Council shall be served upon the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, at least thirty days before such meeting; and the like notice shall be given to the Standing Committee, who, by their President, or some one whom they may appoint to perform that office, shall collect and present the evidence, and otherwise appear in behalf of the prosecution. The accused shall also be allowed the privilege of counsel under such regulations as the Council may see fit to prescribe. All counsel must be communicants of the Church.

SEC. VI. If the accused do not appear, the Council may proceed to trial in his absence, or, for good cause shown, may adjourn the trial to another day; and if he then fail to appear, the Council shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy,

who thereupon shall pass upon him sentence of suspension from the ministry; but such sentence may be revised by the Bishop, if the accused, within three calendar months, shall report to him that he is prepared to undergo his trial, and shall appear for that end before the Council; and if he does not so report and appear, the Bishop, in view of the charges in the presentment, may pass against him sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SEC. VII. Upon the application of the President of the Standing Committee, or the accused, to the Bishop, setting forth that the attendance of a material witness cannot be had, he shall appoint a commissioner to take the deposition of such witness; and the party applying shall give to the other party five days' notice of the time and place of taking the deposition, and of the principal points upon which the witness is to be examined. If the party to whom such notice is to be given reside more than forty miles from the place appointed for taking the deposition, an additional day, exclusive of Sunday, shall be allowed for every twenty miles. The deposition shall be signed by the witness, and certified by the commissioner, under seal, to the Council.

SEC. VIII. When the trial shall be gone through, the Council shall declare, in a writing to be signed by the several members, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty, and if guilty of disorderly conduct, or of violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church or of this Diocese, suggesting what sentence, in their opinion, ought to be pronounced. If guilty of any other of the offences enumerated in Section I., Canon II., Title II., of the General Canons of this Church, the sentence shall be degradation. They shall forward the decision, together with the evidence and the proceedings, to the Bishop; whereupon, if the accused be found guilty, the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall to him appear proper, not exceeding that suggested by the Council, except when the same is fixed as above, and such sentence shall be final. But, if in such case, in the opinion of the Bishop the accused ought to have a new

trial, he shall have power to award it; in which case a new Council shall be constituted as hereinbefore provided (excluding the members of the former Council), before which the proceedings shall be conducted, as before provided.

SEC. IX. If the accused shall confess the truth of the charges, the Bishop (such confession being made to him, or being certified to him by the Council) shall proceed to pass sentence, and if, when put upon his trial before the Council, the accused shall neither admit nor deny the charges, he shall be regarded as pleading not guilty.

SEC. X. It shall be the duty of the Bishop to report to the Convention at its next session after the trial of a minister, as herein provided, the finding of the Council and his sentence thereupon.

SEC. XI. Nothing herein contained shall be regarded as interfering with the duty of the Bishop, or of the clerical members of the Standing Committee, to institute an inquiry according to the provisions of Section II., Canon II., Title II., of the General Convention. And whenever, upon such inquiry, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall be of opinion that there is just ground for the public rumors, mentioned in the said Canon, he or they shall inform the Standing Committee of the facts, and of the evidence to establish the same, and thereupon such further proceedings shall be had as are herein directed, after a charge shall have been made to the Standing Committee.

SEC. XII. The expenses incident to the trial of any minister, as herein provided, shall be certified by the President of the Standing Committee, and paid by the Treasurer of the Convention. And in case the Treasurer shall not have a sufficient amount in his hands for the purpose, the same shall be raised by assessments on the several Parishes in the Diocese, in the same ratio in which they are required to contribute to the expenses of the Convention by Canon XVIII.

4. *Miscellaneous.*

CANON XVII.

Of the State of the Church.

At every Annual Convention there shall be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church, the Address of the Bishop, the Parochial Reports, and all other reports made in pursuance of the direction of any Canon. From these materials it shall be the duty of the Committee to prepare a report of the condition and progress of the Church in the Diocese, and to suggest such measures as they may deem important to its future progress and welfare.

CANON XVIII.

Of Expenses and Assessments.

SECTION 1. For the purpose of defraying the regular and incidental expenses of the Diocese, every Parish or Church in union with the Convention, shall pay annually, at or before the meeting of Convention, a sum equivalent to *fifty cents* for each communicant belonging to said Parish.

SEC. II. The Convention, at every stated meeting, shall have power to levy upon all Churches in union therewith an additional assessment, in the same ratio, as the needs of the Diocese may require, and it shall be the duty of the Committee on Finance to consider and report upon the necessity for, and the scale of such assessments.

SEC. III. All organized Churches in the Diocese shall pay a sum equivalent to *twenty-five cents* for each communicant, to the fund for the support of the Episcopate.

CANON XIX.

Of the Enactment, Alteration, and Repeal of Canons.

SECTION I. These Canons shall not be altered or amended, nor shall any new Canon be enacted except at a stated Convention. Nor shall any Canon, or alteration, or amendment of

Canon be passed at the same Convention in which it was proposed, except by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of both orders, after reference to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons. But if approved by a majority of the Convention, it shall lay over for the consideration and final action of the next Annual Convention.

SEC. II. In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by way of amendment, shall be in the following form: "Canon —(or section) of Canon—is hereby amended so as to read as follows:"

SEC. III. All former Canons of this Convention not included in these Canons, are hereby repealed.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. After the Convention has been declared duly organized, and the Committees on Credentials appointed, the Order of Proceedings for the first day shall be :

1. The Reading of the " Rules of Order."
2. The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary,
3. The election of a Treasurer.
4. The appointment by the President of five Standing Committees, viz: a Committee on Admission of New Parishes, to consist of one Clergyman and two Laymen ; a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to consist of three Clergymen and two Laymen ; a Committee on the State of the Church, to consist of one Clergyman and one Layman from each Missionary district ; a Committee on Unfinished Business, to consist of one Clergyman and two Laymen ; a Committee on Finance, to consist of three Laymen.
5. The communication of the application of congregations for admission into the Convention.
6. The appointment by the President of Preachers for the first day of the next Annual Convention.
7. The Annual Communication of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
8. The Annual Reports of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Permanent Fund.
9. The appointment of Special Committees.
10. Miscellaneous business.

II. The " Morning Prayer " shall precede the business of every succeeding day, and every day's session shall be closed with appropriate Collects offered by the President.

The Anniversary Sermon of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina, may be preached on the second day, after Morning Prayer.

When the President shall have taken the chair, the daily order of proceedings after the first day shall be:

1. The reading and approval of the Minutes.
2. Calling the names of members absent on the preceding day.
3. The election of the Standing Committee of the Church.
4. The election of Deputies to the General Convention, when in order.
5. The election of Trustees to the General Seminary, when in order.
6. The election of Trustees to the Diocesan Seminary.
7. The election of Trustees of the University of the South, when in order.
8. Calling upon the Deputies to pay the assessment on their respective Churches or Parishes, for the Bishop's Fund, and for the expenses of the Convention.
9. Reports to be called for in the following order:
 - Of Committee on Admission of New Parishes.
 - Committee on Unfinished Business.
 - Committee on Finance.
 - Committee on Constitution and Canons.
 - Committee on State of the Church.
 - Trustees of University of the South.
 - Committees appointed at preceding Convention.
 - Special Committees.
 - Miscellaneous Business.

III. Before the rising of the Convention, the Minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

IV. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

V. When the President shall take the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the Chair.

VI. The delegation of each Church shall occupy one pew.

VII. No member shall absent himself from the Convention unless he hath leave, or be unable to attend.

VIII. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and without advancing shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself to the point in debate, and avoiding personality.

IX. When two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall name the member who is first to speak.

X. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the Convention.

XI. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session, except upon a motion to reconsider, which may be moved and seconded by any member who voted in the majority.

XII. When the President is putting the question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the Church.

XIII. In voting by ballot, the rolls of the Clergy and of the Churches shall be called, and the votes deposited with the Tellers, as called for; and no vote shall be received after the Tellers begin to count the votes.

XIV. No motion shall be considered before the Convention, unless seconded and reduced to writing, if the President or any member require it. A Minister or Delegate may not second a motion offered by a Minister or Delegate of the same Church with himself.

XV. When a question is before the House, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a certain day, to commit, or amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are named. A motion to strike out the word "Resolved" shall have precedence to a motion to amend, and if carried, shall be equivalent to a rejection of the resolution. Subject to these exceptions, the question first moved shall be first put.

XVI. Motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, and to postpone indefinitely, shall be decided without debate. A motion

to adjourn may interrupt a speech, or any other business of the Convention.

XVII. No leave of absence shall be indefinitely granted to any member, unless full and sufficient reason be given by him to the Convention.

XVIII. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

XIX. No member shall vote on any question, in the event of which he is immediately and personally interested, or in any case where he was not present when the question was put.

XX. If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Convention, the President *shall*, or any member *may*, call to order; in which case the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain. All questions of order shall be determined in the first instance, without debate, by the President; but any member may appeal from such decision to the Convention, and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once, without leave of the Convention.

XXI. The President shall have the right to name a member to perform the duties of the Chair; but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

XXII. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and Candidates for Orders, shall be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

XXIII. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended, without the concurrence of *two-thirds* of the members present.

XXIV. The foregoing Rules of order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to the several Churches of this Diocese, that in the appointment of Deputies to the Diocesan Convention, they should select persons who are regular communicants of the Church. (*Passed 1842.*)

2. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Parishes and Congregations of the Diocese to defray the expenses of their respective Pastors, incurred in attending Diocesan Conventions. (*Passed 1838.*)

3. *Resolved*, That whatever balance shall be in the Treasurer's hands at the meeting of the General Convention, after providing for the quota of the Diocese to the expenses of the same, shall be paid in equal portions to the Deputies of the Diocese who may attend such meeting.

4. *Resolved*, That the trustees of the Bishop's Permanent Fund shall punctually pay over to the Bishop of the Diocese the sum of four thousand (\$4,000) dollars annually, in quarterly payments, from said fund, to enable him to discharge his Episcopal duty. (*Amended 1859.*)

5. *Resolved*, That whatever balance may remain after paying the sum of four thousand (\$4,000) dollars to the Bishop, shall be paid over to the Bishop's Permanent Fund.

6. *Resolved*, That a salary of two hundred dollars be paid to the Secretary of the Convention. (*Passed 1870.*)

7. *Resolved*, That three dollars per day be paid to the Organist officiating during the sessions of the Convention. (*Passed 1856.*)

8. *Resolved*, That a like sum be paid to the Sexton acting for the same period. (*Passed 1856.*)

9. *Resolved*, That it is inexpedient and unnecessary to return thanks for sermons preached before this body. (*Passed 1829.*)

10. *Resolved*, That when any Clergyman of this Diocese shall depart this life, his record shall be inscribed on a memorial page of the Journal.

11. *Whereas*, According to the Consecration service of the Protestant Episcopal Church, "devout and holy men, as well under the Law as under the Gospel, moved either by the express command of God or the secret inspiration of the blessed Spirit, and acting agreeably to their own reason and sense of the natural decency of things, have erected houses for the public worship of God, and separated them from "all *unhallowed, worldly and common* uses, in order to fill men's minds with greater reverence for his glorious Majesty, and affect their hearts with more devotion and humility in His service," and, *whereas*, the delivering of orations, and holding elections on secular or political subjects and occasions, and the usual worldly accompaniments and circumstances, are thought inconsistent with both the letter and spirit of this declaration of the Consecration service, and have been found to give pain to many members of our communion, and generally to be of injurious tendency; therefore, be it

Resolved by this Convention, That it be recommended to the Vestries of all the Churches in this Diocese to discourage, and, if possible, interdict the use of the Churches under their care for all *unhallowed, worldly and common* purposes. (*Passed 1828.*)

12. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to members of the Church in this Diocese, in the choice of *Sponsors in Baptism*, that they should select persons who are regular communicants of the Church. (*Passed 1870.*)

13. *Resolved*, As the sense of this Convention, that it is the imperative duty of every member of this Church to respect and obey a summons to testify in the trial of a Minister.

Extracts from the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, suggested by the Committee for publication with the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese.

CONSTITUTION.

TITLE I	Canon IX.
	" XI.
	" XII.
	" XV., § 6.
	" XVIII.
	" XXI.
TITLE II.	" IV.
	" XII.
	" XIII.
TITLE III	" V., § 1 and § 2.
	" VII.

C. C. PINCKNEY.
J. D. MCCOLLOUGH.
J. H. ELLIOTT.
E. MCCRADY, SR.
R. W. SHAND.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY
OF THE SOUTH.*

The Trustees of the University of the South, on the part of this Diocese, respectfully report :

That at the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees, in August last, at Sewanee, only the two lay Trustees from this Diocese were present. To the great regret of all our beloved Bishop was unable to attend, and the clerical Trustee, Rev. A. T. Porter, was detained at the North by illness. At these meetings the absence of any Trustee is greatly regretted, but the absence of any of our Bishops is still more seriously felt. We realize that the confidence of our Dioceses in the University rests upon their confidence in the Bishops, who form so important and influential a portion of its government.

We are glad to say, from the reports submitted by the officers and Standing Committees, and from our own observation, that the University is making steady progress in wholesome strength and usefulness. We again call the attention of our Dioceses to the necessity of a larger endowment and more liberal "Advent Offerings," to place this institution in a safe and strong position. We beg them to remember that our people are each day looking more and more to this University for the education of their children. And just in proportion to their expectations is it important that they should not be disappointed nor discouraged. If each will do what he can, its future will be safe and its benefits invaluable.

The Report of the Treasurer for this Diocese is appended.

(Signed,)

J. B. KERSHAW,
T. M. HANCKEL.

* Received too late for insertion in proper place.

1874. July 31	To remitted H. M. Anderson, Treasurer, Check on New York. Premium.....	\$51 75 25	By rec'd from St John's, Fairfield, through Rev. Mr. Campbell, Advent.....	\$6 50
1875. March 3	To remitted H. M. Anderson, Treasurer, Check on New York. Premium.....	300 37 75	“ “ St. Mark's, Chester, through Rev. Mr. Camp- bell, Advent.....	3 50 2 00 20 00 20 00
April 14	To remitted H. M. Anderson, Treasurer, Check on New York. Premium.....	29 10 25	“ “ Miss LaBorde, interest on bond, interest..... Rev. E. C. Logan, July Coupons, Coupons..... T. M. Hancckel, interest on Bond, interest... Miss Mary Carroll and others, through Dr Shand, interest on Bond, interest..... Miss M. C. H., Williamston, through Dr. Shand, donation.....	4 00 3 00 29 26 9 90 10 00 7 25 17 41 72 50 6 60 7 05 3 40 2 65 5 30 26 00
	RECAPITULATION.		“ “ Grace Church, Charleston, Advent..... Trinity Church, Abbeville, Advent..... Rev. E. R. Miles, Endowment..... Claremont Church, Stateburg, Advent..... Prince George, Winyah, Advent..... St. Michael's Church, Charleston, Advent... St. Jude's, Walterboro', Advent..... Church Holy Cross, Bluffton, Advent..... Sheldon Church, Prince Williams, Advent... Christ Church, Wilton, Advent..... Holy Trinity, Grahamville, Advent..... Trinity Church, Columbia, Advent.....	3 00 29 26 9 90 10 00 7 25 17 41 72 50 6 60 7 05 3 40 2 65 5 30 26 00
	Advent Offerings.....	295 47	“ “ St. David's Church, Cheraw, Advent.....	3 50
	Interest.....	28 00	“ “ Rev. E. C. Logan, January Coupons, Cou- pons.....	20 00
	Coupons.....	44 00	“ “ Miss A. M. H., Gourdin's Station, through Dr. Shand, Donation.....	2 00
	Donations.....	5 00	“ “ Miss LaBorde, interest on Bond, interest.....	2 00
	Endowment.....	10 00	“ “ St. James, South Santee, Advent.....	15 30
		\$382 47	“ “ St. Philip's Church, Charleston, Advent.....	50 00
			“ “ F. A. Mitchell, Coupons.....	4 00
			“ “ J. D. B., through Bishop Howe, Advent.....	20 00
			“ “ Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, Advent..	2 50
			“ “ Church of the Nativity, Union, Advent.....	6 85
		\$382 47		\$382 47

E. E.—Charleston, 10th May, 1875.

W. C. COURTNEY, Diocesan Treasurer.

APPENDIX V.

PAROCHIAL, MISSIONARY, AND OTHER REPORTS.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, CHARLESTON.

REV. JOHN JOHNSON, RECTOR.

Families—White, 180.....	180
Individuals not included in families—White, 46; colored, 6.....	52
Whole number of souls—White, 746; colored, 6.....	752
Baptisms Infants, white, 22; colored, 2.....	24
Adults, white, 3.....	3
Confirmations—White, 20.....	20
Marriages—White, 3.....	3
Burials—White, 37.....	37
Communicants—Admitted, white, 18.....	18
Added by removal, white, 3.....	3
Lost by removal, white, 4.....	4
Died, white, 4.....	4
Present number—Male, white, 70.....	70
Female, white, 299; colored, 6.....	305
Total—White, 369; colored, 6.....	375
Sunday-School Teachers—Male, white, 4.....	4
Female, white, 9.....	9
Pupils—Male, white, 49.....	49
Female, white, 41.....	41

OFFERINGS.

Parochial :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$2,500 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	89 25
Assessment for Episcopate*.....	
Current expenses.....	6,905 00

Total..... \$9,494 25

Benefactions, etc., in the Parish :

Alms.....	\$990 13
Church Home.....	859 15

Total..... \$1,849 28

Benefactions, etc., in Diocese :

Missions.....	\$149 57
Theological Education.....	470 00

Total..... \$619 57

Where not specified as colored, the figures indicate whites.

*NOTE.—Of the total amount of this assessment (\$178 50,) a part (\$73 08) has been collected, but not yet paid to the Treasurer of the Fund.

Benefactions, etc., beyond Diocese :

Missions—Domestic.....	\$122 35
Sufferers in Memphis.....	81 46
University of the South.....	50 00
Total.....	\$253 81

Grand total.....\$12,216 91

Public Worship—Sundays, 52; other days, 97; whole number of times.....202

Holy Communion—Public, 17; private, 38.

ST. JAMES', SANTEE.

REV. THOMAS F. GADSDEN, RECTOR.

Families.....	13
Whole number of souls—white, 49; colored 1.....	50
Communicants—Added by removal.....	1
Lost by removal.....	1
Present number—male, 6; female, 13.....	19
Baptisms—infant.....	1
Marriages.....	1
Public worship, 9 Sundays, 14 other days; number of times.....	34
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	7

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures:

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$200 00
Stove for Church.....	50 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	5 00
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	10 00
	\$265 00

Benefactions, etc., in Parish:

S. S. Library.....	12 05
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Benefactions, etc., in Diocese:

Missions.....	\$8 35
To Convocation.....	10 00
For Theological Students.....	10 00
Donation to Monthly Record.....	8 00
Donation to Christ Church.....	10 00
	46 35

Beyond the Diocese:

For University of the South.....	15 30
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Total.....\$338 70

In the Parish of St. James, Santee, our Church people are a "little flock," and much scattered. My visits on the third Sunday in each month continue in winter and summer. I am absent from home on these visits six days, and hold five services. In the intervals of my visits, lay reading has been kept up on every Lord's day in summer at the McClellanville Chapel, and for a part of this winter in the Parish Church. The unusually heavy freshet and bad weather during a part of the winter, prevented some of their meetings.

In the old Parish Church, known as "Wambaw," a new large stove has been set up, which is a great comfort. For want of such, our country Churches, oftentimes large, damp brick buildings, have very slim congregations. The old, the children, and delicate persons cannot stand the cold.

A small organ has recently been purchased, and is played by a lady of the congregation.

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH.

REV. J. G. DRAYTON, MISSIONARY.

MY DEAR BISHOP: Since my resignation of Ascension Church, Combahee, of which you were informed, my labors have been confined to the three colored congregations in this Parish.

Notwithstanding the uncommonly wet winter, and the strangely multiplied number of rainy Sundays, the interest of my people has not flagged, and, with great distances to overcome, they have continued "the assembling of themselves together." Our services, when my strength permits, is at the three Chapels on Sundays, and on Thursdays we have an evening service. I have baptized twenty-four adults and one infant, officiated at three marriages, and buried one child. Thirty were presented for confirmation when you last visited us.

The alms have been :

Diocesan Missions.....	\$27 50
Foreign Missions.....	5 90
Domestic.....	4 30
For repairs to Chapel and benevolent objects.....	177 25
Total.....	<u>\$214 95</u>

The middle Chapel (Magwood's) will, I trust, in the course of another year, be wholly restored and very much improved. The third Chapel (Barker's) is still in a sad state of dilapidation May God enable us to save this one also.

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.

REV. THOMAS F. GADSDEN, RECTOR.

Families—33 white; 3 colored.....	36
Individuals not included in families—20 white; 3 colored.....	23
Whole number of souls—130 white; 8 colored.....	138
Communicants—Admitted.....	7
Added by removal.....	6
Lost by removal.....	3
Present number	White, male 10; female 44
	Colored, male 1; female 2
Total—54 white; 3 colored.....	57
Baptisms—Infant—2 white; 1 colored.....	3
Confirmations.....	5
Marriages—1 white; 1 colored.....	2
Burials—4 white; 1 colored.....	5
Sunday-School Teachers—Male, 1; female, 7.....	8
Pupils—Male, 20; female, 21.....	41
Public Worship—38 Sundays; 66 other days; number of times.....	150
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 9; private, 3....	12

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$312 52
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	12 00
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	15 00
Donation from Parish Aid Society.....	88 95
Repairs of Parish Church.....	125 00
	<u>\$553 47</u>

Benefactions, etc., in Parish :

Alms.....	\$43 64	
S. School Library.....	16 88	
Church papers.....	14 00	
	— —	\$74 52

Benefactions, etc., in Diocese :

Missions.....	\$19 03	
For Theological Students.....	8 25	
	— —	\$27 28

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Foreign, from boxes.....	\$20 00	
Missions to Indians.....	3 00	
	— —	23 00

Total.....\$678 27

I would report the completion of repairs on Parish Church, at a cost of about \$500, chiefly raised in Charleston.

The Church was consecrated on December 27th, 1874 (1st Sunday after Christmas.) I have officiated there regularly on the second Sunday of each month, and the attendance has been steady and increasing. Indeed, the re-opening of this Church meets a real need. Between my visits lay reading has been asked for and kept up for several Sundays.

In the village Chapel the services have been about the same as last year, including those special ones in Lent. These were held on two evenings in the week, at central private houses, and were well sustained.

The system of weekly offerings in envelopes, for current expenses, has been tried with some success.

On the evening of Ash Wednesday, I organized a Lay Association for Church work.

In this venture of faith, and in all the work of the year, I have met with failures and disappointments, and only partial success. God's way was better than mine. Yet I would gratefully record it, that "hitherto hath the Lord helped us"

ST. JAMES, GOOSE CREEK.

(VACANT.)

*Report of the Wardens and Vestry of the Church of St. James,
Goose Creek Parish, May, 1875.*

Old Goose Creek Church, as it is familiarly known, was built in 1706, and is now one of the oldest Church edifices, if not the oldest in fact, in South Carolina. Many thousand persons annually make pilgrimages thereto, which is an evidence of the lively interest taken in this ancient House of God.

This Church has not been used for public worship during many past years, but the Vestry are happy to report that arrangements are now being made to repair the building, carefully avoiding any alterations. And as there has been lately quite an addition to the number of parishioners from other parishes, the Church will be re-opened for Divine worship about the 15th of November next.

During the past winter and spring months, between three and four thousand persons have visited this old Church.

The Otranto Station, on the Northeastern Railroad, is within a short distance, and a large congregation is confidently expected to worship in the old Church every Sunday during the winter and spring months.

Respectfully reported.

FRANCIS S. HOLMES, *Chairman pro tem.*

ST. JOHN'S, BERKELEY.

REV. P. D. HAY, RECTOR.

Families.....	24
Individuals not included in families.....	6
Whole number of souls.....	92
Communicants—Admitted.....	9
Added by removal.....	7
Lost by removal.....	1
Died.....	2
Present number—Male, 8; female, 30.....	38
Baptisms—Infants.....	5
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	4
Public Worship—31 Sundays; 1 other day; number of times.....	46
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 23; private, 3.....	26

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures:	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$1,200 00
Assessments for Episcopate, paid.....	27 50
	<hr/> \$1,227 50
Benefactions, etc., in Parish:	
Alms.....	82 95
Beyond the Diocese:	
For University of the South.....	8 30
	<hr/> Total..... \$1,318 75

Since my last report, we have been indebted to kind friends at the North for a handsomely bound Bible and Prayer-Book for use in Strawberry Chapel.

ST. THOMAS AND ST. DENNIS.

REV. EDWARD C. LOGAN, RECTOR.

Families.....	18
Individuals not included in families.....	5
Whole number of souls.....	77
Communicants—Admitted.....	4
Died.....	1
Present number—Male, 9; Female, 25.	
Colored, male, 20; female, 10.	
Total—34 white; 30 colored.....	64
Baptisms—Infants, 5 white; 6 colored. Adults, 1 colored.....	12
Confirmations—6 white; 17 colored.....	23
Marriages.....	3
Burials—4 white; 4 colored.....	8
Public Worship—40 Sundays; 9 other days; number of times.....	87
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 13; private, 3.....	16

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures:	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$544 50
Assessment for Convention.....	19 25
Assessment for Episcopate.....	38 50
Repairs to Minister's residence.....	280 00
Other expenses.....	10 00
	<hr/> \$892 25

Benefactions, etc., in Parish :

Alms.....	\$100 82
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Benefactions, etc., in Diocese :

Missions—To Bishop.....	20 00
To Advancement Society.....	80 00
From mite chests.....	3 26
To St. John's Convocation.....	5 00
To F. Bible, P. Book, and Tract Society.....	1 00
To Clergy Society.....	5 00
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	114 26

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—To Indians.....	5 00
Foreign.....	59 58
For University of the South (Coupons).....	40 00
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	104 58

Total.....*\$1,211 91

In the impaired state of my health, I was induced, on Easter Monday, to ask of the Vestry of my Parish leave of absence, that by rest and change of air I might seek its restoration.

The figures in the tables indicating the number of families, communicants, etc., are smaller than heretofore. This is owing to only those who are professedly Episcopalians, and those who are exclusively parishioners of St. Thomas' Parish, being reported.

Under the head of "Offerings and Expenditures," several hundred dollars are included which were not voluntary contributions, but paid by the Vestry from the income of certain funds in their hands.

ST. HELENA, BEAUFORT.

REV. JOSEPH R. WALKER, D. D., RECTOR.

Families.....	41
Individuals not included in families.....	18
Whole number of souls.....	203
Communicants—Admitted.....	2
Added by removal.....	6
Lost by removal.....	8
Died.....	1
Present number—Male, 16; female, 52.....	68
Baptisms—Infants, 8; adults, 1.....	9
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	4
S. School Teachers—Male, 2; female, 5.....	7
Pupils—Male, 20; female, 19.....	39
Public Worship—52 Sundays; 45 other days; number of times.....	156
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Monthly.....	

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$631 37
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	12 50
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	31 50
Current expenses.....	170 35
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	845 72
Benefactions, etc., in Parish.....	80 00
Beyond the Diocese :	
For Missions—Foreign, Domestic, and Diocesan.....	75 00
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	75 00

Total.....\$1,000 72

*In part from the income of a fund.

PRINCE GEORGE, WINYAH.

REV. ALEX. GLENNIE, RECTOR.

Families—48 white, 3 colored.....	51
Individuals not included in families.....	7
Whole number of souls—204 white, 7 colored.....	211
Communicants—Admitted.....	3
Added by removal.....	1
Lost by removal—7 white, 1 colored.....	8
Died.....	1
Present number—White, male, 14; female, 60. Colored, “ 1: “ 3.	
Total—White, 74; colored, 4	78
Baptisms—Infants, 11 white, 1 colored.....	12
Marriages—4 white, 2 colored.....	6
Burials—9 white, 1 colored.....	10
Sunday-School—Teachers, 1 male, 2 female.....	3
Pupils—white, 4 male, 8 female; colored, 3 male, 1 female.....	16
Public worship—52 Sundays, 55 other days; No. of times.....	149
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 15; private, 1.....	16

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$900 00
Assessment for Convention.....	20 50
Assessment for Episcopate.....	41 00
Current expenses.....	87 81
	—————\$1,049 31

Benefactions, &c., in Parish :

Alms.....	67 94
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Benefactions, &c., in Diocese :

Missions.....	48 87
Advancement Society.....	38 45
Clergy Society.....	29 00
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Beyond the Diocese :

For University of the South.....	17 41
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Total.....	\$1,250 98
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Our venerable Church has been much improved by the gift of stained glass for the chancel window, a very fine specimen of the art, and which, until recently, adorned the chapel of the late Mr. Plowden C. J. Weston, at Hagley, Waccamaw.

The Rector gratefully records the donation of prayer books and hymnals from The Bishop White Prayer Book Society, of Philadelphia, and also of prayer books from the Female Bible, &c., Society, of Charleston.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, JOHN'S ISLAND.

REV. GEO. W. STICKNEY, RECTOR AND MISSIONARY.

Families.....	36
Individuals not included in families.....	1
Communicants—Admitted.....	6
Removed.....	6
Died.....	2
Present number—white, males, 4; females, 47. Colored, “ 8; “ 8.	
Total—White, 51; colored, 16.....	67

Baptisms—Infants.....	8
Confirmations.....	5
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	3
Sunday-School—Teachers, female.....	3
Pupils, male, 15, female, 10.....	25
Public worship—20 Sundays, 15 other days; No. of times.....	35
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 15; private, 2.....	17

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial expenditures:	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$300 00
Current expenses.....	15 00
Other objects.....	35 50
	<hr/> \$350 50
Benefactions, &c., in Parish:	
Alms.....	39 40
Benefactions, &c., in Diocese:	
Missions.....	8 80
Beyond the Diocese:	
Missions—Domestic.....	3 00
Foreign.....	2 00
	<hr/> 5 00
Total.....	<hr/> \$403 70

The Rectorship of the above Parish was entered upon in August last, in connection with that of Trinity Church, Edisto, being also the Missionary of the Diocesan and General Domestic Board, and from these latter sources, deriving the chief support. The former ample fund in both of these Parishes has now decreased to only an annual income of from two to three hundred dollars, and which, in the pecuniary disabilities of the parishioners, would be entirely inadequate to secure the same monthly services, without the additional aid, as now given. There is evidence, however, of life and vitality in both in the regular and large attendance, in additions in membership, as well as those for the increased fervency of the services and the more appropriate completion of the interior arrangements, which render more beautiful and inviting the sanctuaries of holiness. A small portable organ is about to be secured, a small baptismal bowl has been placed in position by the children, too, scattered at different seasons, with the alternating services at the different seasons at Chapels and Parish Church, for regular and continued Sunday-school instructions; and the Chancel, Altar, Lectern, and rear window have received appropriate draperies in the Parish Church, the Chapel, ("Grace,") at Rockville, having been considerably improved by more limited ones; a coat of paint for its Altar and Lectern, and with that of "Zion," Midway Chapel has also its striking sentence, in the former being "Holiness unto the Lord," and in the latter a reminder, "House of Prayer."

PRINCE FREDERICK'S, PEE DEE.

(VACANT.)

We regret to report our Parish still vacant. The services of the Church have been regularly kept up during the past year by the Junior Warden, as Lay reader, under license from the Bishop, and with every evidence of satisfaction to the congregation.

On Thanksgiving Day in November, we were favored with preaching by the Rev. Mr. Gregory, from the Diocese of Ohio, who also preached and administered the Holy Communion on the Sunday after. We were also refreshed by a visit from the Rev. Lucien C. Lance, formerly of this Diocese, who preached and administered the Holy Communion on the 1st Sunday in May inst.

Since the beginning of the present year, we have had correspondence with several parties looking to the filling of our pulpit, especially during the summer months, when our parishioners are mostly together in Plantersville (the neighborhood summer retreat), but so far without success. We hope, however, during the coming year, by co-operation with the adjoining Parish of All Saints, to place the two Parishes under one Rectorship, upon terms satisfactory to both.

J. R. SPARKMAN, } *Wardens.*
BEN. ALLSTON. }

Number of families.....	20
Communicants.....	32
Baptisms—Infants, white.....	2
Assessments paid to Bishop's Fund.....	\$16 00
To Convention.....	8 00

PRINCE WILLIAM'S PARISH—SHELDON CHURCH.

REV. E. E. BELLINGER, RECTOR.

Families.....	5
Individuals not included in families.....	3
Whole number of souls.....	27
Communicants—Lost by removal.....	2
Present number—Male, 1; female, 5.....	6
Baptisms—Infants.....	1
Burials.....	1
Public Worship—12 Sundays; 11 other days; number of times.....	33
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 11; private, 1.....	12

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures:	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$80 00
Assessment for Convention.....	4 25
Assessment for Episcopate.....	8 50
	<hr/> 92 75
Benefactions, etc., in Parish:	
Alms.....	4 15
Benefactions etc., in Diocese:	
Missions.....	25 71
Beyond the Diocese:	
For University of the South.....	2 50
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Total.....	\$125 11

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, CHARLESTON.

REV. R. S. TRAPIER, RECTOR.

Families.....	105
Individuals not included in families.....	51
Whole number of souls.....	401
Communicants—Admitted.....	9
Added by removal.....	4
Lost by removal.....	12
Died.....	4
Present number—Male, 45; female, 185.	
Colored, female, 1.	
Total—White, 230; colored, 1.....	231

Baptisms—Infants.....	10
Confirmations.....	26
Marriages.....	9
Burials.....	17
S. School Teachers—Male, 1; female, 5.....	6
Pupils—Male, 5; female, 50	55
Public Worship—51 Sundays; 94 other days; number of times.....	196
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 16; private, 18.....	34

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$2,500 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	57 00
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	100 00
Current expenses.....	2,199 00
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	4,856 00

Benefactions, etc., in Parish :

Alms, \$750 00; Offerings, \$522 00.....	\$1,272 00
Sewing Society.....	335 00
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	1,607 00

Benefactions, etc., in Diocese :

Missions.....	215 00
Other objects.....	260 00
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	475 00

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Domestic.....	20 00
For University of the South.....	80 50
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	100 50

Total..... \$7,038 50

ST. MARK'S, CLARENDON.

REV. C. BRUCE WALKER, RECTOR.

Families.....	14
Individuals not included in families.....	8
Whole number of souls.....	73
Communicants—Died.....	1
Present number—Male, 6; female, 21.	
Colored, male, 1.	
Total—27 white; 1 colored.....	28
Baptisms—Infants.....	4
Burials.....	2
Public Worship—50 Sundays; 3 other days; number of times.....	62
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	13

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$373 00
Assessment for Convention.....	15 00
Assessment for Episcopate.....	12 00
Repairs to Church.....	337 00
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	\$737 00

Benefactions, &c., in Parish :		
Alms.....	33	60
Paid for Home and Abroad.....	2	00
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Benefactions, &c., in Diocese :		35 60
Missions.....	38	00
Clergy Society.....	17	25
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Benefactions, &c., in Diocese :		55 25
Mission—Domestic.....	2	05
“ Foreign.....	3	00
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		50 50
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		\$832 90

This Church has received during the present year an entirely new roof. Other improvements are still going on. The purpose of the congregation is to put their Church in a thoroughly good condition, and then to enclose their Church yard with a substantial fence.

ST. LUKE'S PARISH, CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS.

REV. E. E. BELLINGER, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	16
Individuals not included in families.....	1
Whole number of souls.....	75
Communicants—Lost by removal.....	2
Present number, Male 7; Female, 20.....	27
Baptisms—Infants.....	1
Marriages.....	1
Sunday School; Teachers, Female.....	1
Pupils, Male, 5; Female 4.....	9
Public Worship; 2 Sundays; 21 other days; No. of times.....	51
Celebrations of Holy Communion; Public 12; Private 1.....	13

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :	
Assessment for Convention.....	\$ 7 25
Assessment for Episcopate.....	14 50
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Benefactions, &c., in Diocese :	
Missions—to Bishop.....	2 70
“ to Advancement Society.....	31 03
Clergy Society... ..	14 00
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Total.....	\$69 48

ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH.

REV. B. B. SAMS, RECTOR.

Families.....	19
Whole number of souls.....	65
Communicants—Admitted.....	4
Added by removal.....	3
Lost by removal.....	3
Died	1
Present number; Male, 7; Female, 20.....	27

Baptisms—Infants, 6; adults, 1.....	7
Confirmations.....	4
Burials.....	3
Public worship—26 Sundays, 2 other days; No. of times.....	34
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 16; private, 2.....	18

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial expenditures:		
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$100 00	
Current expenses.....	11 20	
	<hr/>	111 20
Benefactions, &c., in Parish :		
Alms.....		10 40
Benefactions, &c , in Diocese:		
Missions.....	6 42	
Missions from mite chests.....	6 39	
	<hr/>	12 81
Total.....		\$134 41

ST. DAVID'S, CHERAW.

REV. JOHN W. MOTTE, RECTOR.

Families.....	35
Individuals not included in families.	3
Whole number of souls.....	170
Communicants—Added by removal.....	2
Lost by removal.....	3
Died.....	2
Present number—Male, 20; female, 57.....	77
Baptisms—Infants, 4 white, 1 colored; adults, 1 white.....	6
Confirmations.....	4
Burials.....	11
Sunday School—Teachers, 8 females.....	8
Pupils—males, 14; females, 20.....	34
Public worship—50 Sundays, 73 other days; No. of times.....	173
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 19; private, 3.....	22

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial expenditures:		
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$600 00	
Assessment for Convention.....	19 75	
Assessment for Episcopate.....	39 50	
Current expenses.....	122 56	
Other objects	96 00	
	<hr/>	\$877 81
Benefactions, &c., in Parish :		
Alms.....		34 84
Benefactions in Diocese :		
Missions.....		27 86
Beyond the Diocese :		
Missions—Domestic.....	21 81	
Foreign.....	9 26	
Indian.....	2 50	
University of the South.....	3 50	
	<hr/>	37 07
Total.....		\$977 58

TRINITY CHURCH, ON EDISTO ISLAND.

REV. GEO. W. STICKNEY, RECTOR.

Families.....	14
Individuals not included in families.....	4
Communicants—Admitted.....	5
Removed.....	2
Died.....	3
Present number—males, 11; females, 25; colored, 85	
Total—36 white, 85 colored.....	121
Baptisms—Infants, 5; adults, 1 colored.....	6
Burials—4 white; 4 colored.....	8
Public Worship—20 Sundays; 5 other days; number of times.....	25
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 12; private, 5.....	17

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures:	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$200 00
Current expenses.....	14 69
Other objects.....	15 70
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	\$230 39
Benefactions, etc., in Parish:	
Alms.....	43 86
Beyond the Diocese:	
Missions—Domestic.....	5 00
Foreign.....	2 34
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	7 34
Total.....	<hr/>
	\$281 59

One feature in this Parish will be noticed in the large number of the colored communicants, who worship in common with white members, occupying the galleries as in former times, at the regular services, and having the use of the Church for the assembling of themselves, under leaders appointed by their Bishop, and under the guidance of the Rector, their Pastor, and who commend themselves by their consistency, orderly and commendatory attachment to the Church. This Parish has likewise the pleasing gratification of additions to its numbers, notwithstanding the removals and in the manifest effort for restoring and beautifying their sadly dilapidated sanctuary; and the congregation are thinking of parting with their Chapel of "St. Stephens," upon the Bay side, as the latter is giving way to the encroaching demands of the great waters, and that they may shelter the more concentratedly in the Parish Church. The dangers to which the Rector is exposed in passing the defiant river, separating his parishes, renders it seriously embarrassing to the performance of his divided labors.

CLAREMONT, STATEBURG.

REV. T. N. LUCAS, RECTOR.

Families—19 white; 2 colored.....	21
Individuals not included in families.....	5
Communicants—Admitted.....	2
Lost by removal.....	4
Died.....	1
Present number—Male, 14; female, 33.	
Colored—Male, 3; female, 2.	
Total—47 white; 5 colored.....	52

Baptisms—Infants	5
Confirmations.....	3
Burials.....	2
S. School—Pupils, 3 male; 3 female.....	6
Public Worship—All Sundays; some other days.	
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, monthly; private, 2	

OFFERINGS, ETC

Parochial Expenditures :		
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$349	00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	8	00
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	26	00
Current expenses.....	46	01
		<hr/> 429 01
Benefactions, etc., in Parish :		
Alms.....		54 06
Benefactions in Diocese :		
Missions.....		17 75
Beyond the Diocese :		
Missions—Domestic.....	22	45
Foreign.....	17	26
University of the South.....	7	25
		<hr/> 47 96
Total.....		<hr/> \$548 78

ST. PAUL'S, RADCLIFFEBORO'.

REV. JAMES H. ELLIOTT, D. D., RECTOR.

Families.....	115
Individuals not included in families, 25 white, 2 colored.....	27
Whole number of souls.....	480
Communicants—Died.....	4
Present number—Male, 42; Female, 179.	
Colored Male 1; Female, 1.	
Total 221 white, 2 colored.	223
Baptisms—Infants.. ..	16
Confirmations.....	20
Marriages.....	4
Burials.....	12
Sunday School—Teachers, Male, 1; Female, 7.....	8
Pupils—Male, 20; Female, 40.....	60
Public Worship—52 Sundays; 70 other days.	
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	15

OFFERINGS, &c.

Parochial Expenditures :		
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$2,125	00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	122	65
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	150	00
Current Expenses.....	1,858	57
Other objects.....	2,638	38
		<hr/> 6,894 60
Benefactions, &c., in Parish :		
Alms.....		349 44
Benefactions in Diocese :		
Missions.....	80	74
Other objects.....	15	83
		<hr/> 96 57

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions, Domestic.....	20	00
“ Foreign.....	47	13
Other objects.....	41	16
	—	108 29
Total.....	\$7,448 90	

The efforts of the Congregation during the past year have been directed to the removal of the Church debt, and have been happily successful. The Parish may now be pronounced free of debt. To this result all have contributed, many to the full extent of their ability. The Christian Hanckel Association has as usual done a noble share of the work, and has deserved and received the warmest thanks of the officers of the Church. The children of the Sunday School have organized a society among themselves, and have procured and well nigh paid for a neat cabinet organ for the services of the school. Upon the whole we have much cause to thank God and take courage for the future. It is my hope that being now relieved from the burden of pecuniary embarrassment, we shall be able, as a congregation, to do more for the general interests of the Diocese and of the Church at large. May the Lord make us to abound more and more unto every good word and work.

TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBIA.

REV. P. J. SHAND, D. D., RECTOR.

REV. J. H. STRINGFELLOW, ASSISTANT MINISTER.

Families.....	112
Individuals not included.....	14
Whole number of souls.....	427
Communicants—Admitted.....	20
Added by removal.....	20
Lost by removal.....	5
Died.....	2
Present number—male, 34; female, 166.....	200
Baptisms—Infants, 24; adults, 7.....	31
Confirmations.....	26
Marriages.....	8
Burials.....	14
Sunday-School—Teachers, male, 1; female, 13.....	14
Pupils—male, 42; female, 104.....	146

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial expenditures,	
Salaries paid Rector.....	\$1,200 00
Assistant (6 months).....	450 00
Assessment for Convention.....	30 00
Assessment for Episcopate.....	60 00
Current expenses.....	3,000 00
	— \$4,740 00
Benefactions, &c., in Parish :	
Alms.....	280 00
Other objects.....	511 00
	— 791 00
Benefactions in Diocese :	
Missions.....	28 33
Other objects.....	363 00
	— 391 33

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Domestic.....	45 00	
Foreign.....	33 21	
University of the South.....	26 00	
		<hr/> 104 21

Total..... \$6,026 54

Public worship, as before reported, almost every Sunday, Fast and Festival day in the year.

Holy Communion administered the first Sunday in each month, and on a few occasions there have been early administrations of the holy ordinance.

The Ladies' Sewing Society still contribute their payment of the pledge of \$300 per annum towards the expenses of a candidate for holy orders, at the University of the South, at Sewanee.

The Easter offerings of the congregation at Easter were \$221.20, and of the children and teachers of the Sunday-school, \$193.53, which sums, aggregating \$414.25, were appropriated towards the extinguishment of the church debt.

The Rev. J. H. Stringfellow, elected Assistant Minister, entered upon the duties of his sacred office in October, 1874.

ST. PAUL'S, PENDLETON.

REV. A. H. CORNISH, RECTOR.

Families—23 white; 2 colored.....	25
Communicants—Present number, males, 10; females, 45. Colored males, 1; females, 3.	
Total—55 whites; 4 colored.....	59
Baptisms—Infants.....	4
Confirmations.....	1
Marriages.....	4
Burials.....	1
S. School Teachers—Male, 1; female, 3.....	4
Pupils.....	20
Public Worship—50 Sundays; number of times.....	148
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	18

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$300 00	
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	10 00	
Current expenses.....	40 00	
		<hr/> 350 00

Benefactions in Parish :

Alms.....	60 65
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Benefactions in Diocese :

Missions.....	15 20
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Beyond the Diocese :

University of the South.....	6 00
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Total..... \$431 85

Of the services reported, 13 were held in Oconee County, at Shiloh, Seneca City, and Walhalla. Holy Communion at Shiloh, 2; Seneca City, 1; and Walhalla, 1. Some five or six families belonging to St. Paul's, but too far from the village to attend regularly, are accommodated by the service at Seneca City. And at Walhalla there are six or seven communicants, whom I hope, D V., to see more frequently in time to come.

CHRIST CHURCH, GREENVILLE.

REV. ELLISON CAPERS, RECTOR.

Families—white, 59; colored, 1.....	60
Communicants—male, 28; female, 76.....	104
Baptisms—infants, 9; adults, 2.....	11
Confirmations—4 white, 1 colored.....	5
Marriages.....	6
Burials.....	5
Sunday-schools—Teachers.....	10
Pupils.....	90

OFFERINGS AND EXPENDITURES.

Salary.....	\$1,200 00
Insurance on Rector's life.....	116 75
Salary of Organist.....	150 00
To the Sunday-School.....	27 60
Parish Society offerings.....	67 00
Sewing Circle offerings.....	165 00
Alms at Holy Communion.....	221 62
Sunday-School Alms.....	35 90
37 Sunday offerings.....	337 89

\$2,321 70

In the Diocese:

Assessment for Episcopate.....	51 50
“ “ Convention.....	25 75
Advancement Society.....	30 00
Clergy Society.....	35 25

\$142 50

Beyond the Diocese:

University of South.....	68 00
Domestic missions—mite chests.....	13 31

\$81 31

Grand total of offerings.....\$2,545 57

Worship twice on Sundays, and once during the week, with occasional special services, and the Holy Communion regularly administered.

Children taught by the Rector every Sunday, in Sunday-School.

Two daily services in Passion Week, four services during the week in Lent.

GRACE CHURCH, CAMDEN.

REV. EDWARD R. MILES, RECTOR.

Families.....	59
Individuals not included.....	8
Whole number of souls.....	210
Communicants—Admitted.....	3
Added by removal.....	3
Died.....	1
Present number.....	89

Baptisms—Infants, 7; adults, 1.....	8
Confirmations.....	3
Burials.....	4
S. School Teachers—Female.....	5
Pupils—Male, 13; female, 17.....	30
Public Worship—46 Sundays; 25 other days; number of times.....	71
Celebration of Holy Communion.....	14

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :	
Salary paid to Rector and other Ministers.....	\$900 07
Assessment for Convention.....	22 25
Assessment for Episcopate.....	35 50
Current expenses.....	154 85
Repairs of Rectory.....	825 00
	<hr/> \$1,937 67
Benefactions, etc , in Parish :	
Alms.....	29 40
Benefactions in Diocese :	
Missions.....	28 00
Beyond the Diocese :	
Missions—Foreign.....	15 00
	<hr/> Total.....\$2,010 07

TRINITY CHURCH, SOCIETY HILL.

REV. HENRY T. LEE, RECTOR.

Families.....	19
Whole number of souls.....	86
Communicants—Admitted.....	2
Lost by removal.....	2
Present number—Male, 8; female, 24.....	32
Baptisms—Infants.....	1
Confirmations.....	2
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	2
S. School Teachers—Male, 2; female, 4.....	6
Pupils—Male, 11; female, 8.....	19
Public Worship—Sundays, and all Saints' days.	
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Monthly, and on greater Festivals.	

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$600 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	7 50
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	15 00
Current expenses.....	31 26
	<hr/> \$653 76
Benefactions in Diocese :	
Missions.....	10 87
Beyond the Diocese :	
Missions—Domestic.....	\$9 70
Foreign.....	8 23
	<hr/> 17 93
	<hr/> Total.....\$682 56

CHRIST CHURCH, WILTON.

REV. E. E. BELLINGER, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	10
Individuals not included.....	5
Whole number of souls.....	45
Communicants—Admitted.....	2
Lost by removal.....	1
Present number—males, 8 ; females, 15.....	23
Confirmations.....	1
Public worship—10 week days ; No. of times.....	11
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	7

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Benefactions in Parish :	
Alms.....	\$1 50
Benefactions in Diocese :	
Missions.....	3 35
Beyond the Diocese :	
University of the South.....	1 76
Total.....	\$6 61

HOLY TRINITY, GRAHAMVILLE.

REV. E. E. BELLINGER, RECTOR.

Families.....	14
Individuals not included.....	2
Whole number of souls.....	72
Communicants—Admitted.....	1
Added by removal.....	4
Lost by removal.....	10
Present number—6 male, 19 female.	
Colored, 1 female.	
Total—25 white, 1 colored.....	26
Baptisms—Infants.....	4
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	1
Sunday-school—Teachers, 1 male.....	1
Pupils—5 male, 1 female.....	6
Public worship—24 Sundays, 20 other days ; No. of times.....	82
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 13 ; private, 1.....	14

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial expenditures :	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$252 70
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	6 50
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	13 00
	<hr/> \$272 20
Benefactions, &c., in Parish :	
Alms.....	42 69
Benefactions in Diocese :	
Missions, \$23 45 ; do. to Bishop, \$2 15.....	25 60
Clergy Society.....	2 00
	<hr/> 27 60

Beyond the Diocese :

University of the South..... 4 41

Total..... \$346 90

TRINITY CHURCH, EDGEFIELD.

REV. EDWARD T. WALKER, RECTOR.

Families—12 white, 1 colored.....	13
Individuals not included.....	20
Whole number of souls.....	50
Communicants—Admitted.....	2
Lost by removal.....	2
Present number—male, 5 ; female, 6.....	11
Baptisms—Infants.....	2
Confirmations.....	1
Marriages.....	1

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial expenditures :	
Salary of Rector, paid	\$250 00
Assessment for Convention, paid	3 00
	<hr/> \$253 00
Benefactions, &c., in Parish ,	
Alms	25 00
Benefactions in Diocese ;	
Missions.....	10 00
Beyond the Diocese :	
Missions—Domestic.....	10 00
	<hr/> \$298 00
Total.....	\$298 00

Financially and numerically, the Church is feeble. I have received, up to date, \$25 00, and I may receive \$75 00 more. Three times a month my congregations are full, but of a young, and new, and non-Episcopal people. We have more Church people out of Edgefield than in it.

Monthly services have been held at Johnston's Depot, seven miles from Edgefield. Congregations full, and in the afternoon I have had an interesting Bible Class. There is no Church building of any denomination here. I use the school-house, holding about one hundred persons.

At Pine House, I cheerfully accepted the offer of the people to hold service for them monthly, and to take charge of a Bible Class. I have baptized one infant and one adult from this section of the Parish, eight miles from Edgefield. We now have *five* communicants, and the prospect of more; *one* family and *four* individuals of families, non-Episcopal. Arrangements have been made to hold service every *fifth* Sunday in the Baptist Church, which has been loaned for the purpose.

ST. JOHN'S, FAIRFIELD.

REV. WM. H. CAMPBELL, RECTOR.

Families—14 white, 1 colored	15
Individuals not included—4 white, 3 colored.....	7
Communicants—Admitted.....	1
Lost by removal.....	3
Present number—male, 9 ; female, 32.	
Colored—male, 2 ; female, 2.	
Total—41 white, 4 colored.....	45

Baptisms—Infants, 2 white, 1 colored.....	3
Confirmations.....	1
Marriages.....	3
Sunday-school—Teachers, male, 1; female, 3.....	4
Pupils, male, 4; female, 15.....	19
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 11; private, 1.....	12

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial expenditures :	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$433 28
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	5 00
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	10 00
Current expenses.....	116 40
	<hr/> \$564 68
Benefactions, &c., in Parish :	
Alms.....	50 75
Benefactions in Diocese :	
Missions.....	8 70
Beyond the Diocese :	
Missions—Domestic.....	7 00
Foreign.....	7 00
	<hr/> 14 00
Total.....	<hr/> \$638 13

ST. STEPHEN'S, RIDGEWAY.

Families.....	6
Communicants—Present number, male, 5; female, 12.....	17
Baptisms—Adults.....	2
Confirmed.....	2
Marriages.....	1

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial expenditures :	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$93 75
Assessment for Convention.....	4 25
Assessment for Episcopate.....	8 50
Current expenses.....	10 40
	<hr/> \$116 90
Alms.....	11 15
Diocesan Missions.....	3 00
Foreign.....	3 00
Domestic.....	3 00
University of the South.....	2 35
Total.....	<hr/> \$139 40

I transmit report of St. John's Fairfield, from first of May last, until the first day of last February, when I closed my ministry there, and removed to Charleston. Rev. J. Obeare officiated always in my absence, and will make a report of his services

Until I left St. John's, Fairfield, I visited St. Stephen's, Ridgeway, regularly on the fourth Sunday of every month. Rev. Josiah Obeare also officiated there once a month, by appointment of the Bishop.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, BRADFORD SPRINGS.

REV. L. F. GUERRY, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	5
Communicants—Admitted.....	1
Died.....	1
Present number—11 white; 1 colored.....	12
Confirmations.....	1
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	1

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial expenditures:	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$125 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	2 25
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	5 50
	<hr/> \$132 75
Alms.....	7 50
Diocesan Missions.....	18 75
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Total.....	\$159 00

This little parish has lost heavily in the recent death of one of its oldest members, Mr. Wm. Burrows; still, those who remain, seem much in earnest, and offer mostly the same amount of salary as heretofore.

The condition of the Church, both at Sumter and Florence, is also better now than for some time past, though there is still no little to be done. If these points can be regularly supplied, I doubt not but in a few years the work of both of them would make considerable strides. May the Lord of the harvest provide for them then, that such a result may be fully realized.

TRINITY CHURCH, ABBEVILLE.

(VACANT.)

REPORT MADE BY WARDENS.

Families.....	22
Individuals not included.....	12
Whole number of souls.....	91
Communicants—Admitted.....	3
Added by removal.....	3
Lost by removal.....	7
Died.....	1
Present number—Male, 12; female, 31.....	43
Baptisms Infants.....	7
Confirmations.....	2
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	5
Sunday-School Teachers—Male, 2.....	2
Pupils—Male, 7; females, 2.....	9
Public Worship—30 Sundays; 30 other days; number of times.....	90
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	12
Lay Services.....	14

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$700 00
Paid other Ministers officiating.....	55 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	11 25
Assessment for Episcopate. paid.....	22 50
Current expenses.....	187 55

Total..... \$976 30

Benefactions, etc., in the Parish :

Alms	\$50 30
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Benefactions, in Diocese :

Advancement Society.....	\$42 00
P. E. Brotherhood.....	31 00
Education of Pupil at St. John's Hall.....	50 00

Total..... \$123 00

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Domestic.....	\$10 00
Foreign.....	10 00
University of the South.....	9 90

29 90

Total..... \$1,179 50

This report is made by the Wardens of the Parish, as we are now without a Rector. On 1st January 1875, the Rev. E. R. Miles dissolved his connection with this Parish to take the Rectorship of Grace Church, Camden, and the Parish is still vacant.

Since 1st January, 1875, three of the members of Greenville Convocation, under direction of Convocation and by appointment of the Bishop, have officiated for us, and each time the Holy Communion was celebrated. On the other Sundays, except in very inclement weather, the Service has been read by a Lay reader. The attendance is generally satisfactory.

We lament our destitution, but the prospect of being supplied does not appear hopeful

WM. H. PARKER, *Warden.*

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, NORTH SANTEE.

REV. WM. O. PRENTISS, Rector.

Families.....	16
Individuals not included.....	5
Communicants—Male, 15; female, 17.....	32
Public worship—6 Sundays, 1 other day; No. of times.....	7
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	2

OFFERINGS, ETC

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$150 00
Current expenses.....	200 00

Total..... \$350 00

Alms.....	11 50
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Total..... \$361 50

On the 1st of January last, I took charge of this Parish. The services recorded here do not include five services to the colored people given on plantations.

CHURCH OF ST. THADDÆUS, AIKEN.

REV. EVERETT C. EDGERTON, Rector.

Families.....	37
Individuals not included—9 white; 1 colored.....	10
Whole number of souls.....	144
Communicants—Admitted.....	11
Added by removal.....	20
Lost by removal.....	19
Died.....	2
Present number—males, 24; females, 84; col'd, female, 1	
Total—108 white, 1 colored.....	109
Baptisms—Infants, 19; adults, 1.....	20
Confirmations.....	10
Marriages.....	6
Burials.....	21
S. School Teachers—Male, 1; female, 5.....	6
Pupils—Male, 20; female, 30.....	50
Public Worship—52 Sundays; 73 other days; number of times.....	178
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 15; private, 11.....	26

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$1,200 00	
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	20 00	
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	50 00	
		1,270 00

Benefactions, etc., in Parish :

Alms.....	355 74	
Sundry charities.....	469 82	
Christmas tree.....	41 59	
		867 15
Missions.....	147 22	
Sundry charities.....	14 85	
		162 07
Total.....		\$2,299 22

ZION CHURCH, RICHLAND.

REV. JOHH HUSKE TILLINGHAST, Rector.

Families.....	6
Individuals not included.....	5
Communicants—Admitted.....	2
Added by removal.....	2
Present number—Male, 5; female, 14.....	19
Baptisms—Infants.....	6
Confirmations.....	3
Marriages—Colored, 2.....	2
Burials.....	2
Public Worship—38 Sundays; 3 other days; number of times.....	41
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	12

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$300 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	4 75
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	9 50
Current expenses.....	12 00

 \$326 25

Benefactions etc., in Parish :

Alms.....	16 99
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Benefactions in Diocese :

Missions.....	16 35
Clergy Society.....	11 05

 27 40

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Foreign.....	1 45
University of the South.....	6 35

 7 80

 Total.....\$378 44

GRACE CHURCH, CHARLESTON.

REV. C. C. PINCKNEY, Rector.

Families.....	148
Individuals not included—35 white; 2 colored.....	37
Whole number of souls.....	650

Communicants—Admitted.....12

Added by removal.....8

Lost by removal.....6

Died.....6

Present number—Male, 50; female, 194.....244

Colored, male, 1; female, 1.....2

Total—244 white; 2 colored.....246

Baptisms—Infants, 14; adults, 3.....17

Confirmations.....14

Marriages.....4

Burials.....20

S. School Teachers—Male, 6; female, 14.....20

Pupils—Male, 71; female, 91.....162

Parochial Schools—Teachers.....15

Pupils—Female.....147

Public Worship—52 Sundays; 29 other days; number of times.....154

Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 12; private, 2.....14

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$2,400 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	56 75
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	128 78
Current expenses.....	2,253 50

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Benefactions, etc., in Parish :

Alms.....	\$376 75
Industrial School.....	699 55
Sunday School	170 00

 1,246 30

Benefactions, in Diocese :

Missions.....	258	76	
Other objects.....	185	00	
			443 76

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Domestic.....	\$	51	43	
Foreign.....		68	66	
Louisiana Sufferers.....		100	00	
For University of the South.....		37	26	257 35

Total..... \$6,786 44

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, NEWBERRY.

REV. P. F. STEVENS, MISSIONARY.

(Reported by the Warden.)

Families.....	7
Individuals not included.....	3
Whole number of souls.....	41
Communicants—Admitted.....	4
Lost by removal.....	1
Present number—Males, 10 ; females, 19.....	29
Baptisms—(At Helena) Infants, 6 ; adults, 2.....	8
Confirmations.....	4
Sunday School Teachers—2 females.....	2
Pupils—Male, 1 ; female, 8.....	9
Public worship on 26 Sundays.....	
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	12
Lay services each alternate Sunday.....	

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$125	00	
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	7	25	
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	14	50	
Current expenses.....	28	25	
Cross on Church, by the ladies.....	12	00	
			\$187 00

Benefactions, etc., in Diocese :

Offerings for Bishop.....	6	65	
For Convocation.....	3	90	
For Advancement Society.....	6	00	
For Clergy Society.....	3	55	
			20 10

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Domestic.....	4	00	
Total.....	\$211	10	

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, SPARTANBURG.

REV. JNO. D. MCCOLLOUGH, RECTOR.

Families.....	22
Individuals not included—9 white, 2 colored.....	11
Whole number of souls.....	105

Communicants—Admitted.....	4
Added by removal.....	3
Lost by removal.....	3
Present number—Male, 20; female, 37. Colored, male, 1.	
Total—57 white, 1 colored.....	58
Baptisms—Infants.....	4
Confirmations.....	4
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	1
Sunday-School—Teachers, 1 male, 3 female.....	4
Pupils, 8 male, 8 female, white, 4 colored.....	20
Public worship, 21 Sundays, 50 other days; number of times.....	95
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	14
Lay reading on other Sundays, with few exceptions.	

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures:	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$393 59
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	7 80
Current expenses.....	51 60
	<hr/> 452 99
Benefactions, etc., in Parish:	
Alms.....	3 35
Benefactions in Diocese:	
Missions—To Convocation.....	24 80
To Bishop.....	27 50
From mite chests.....	8 10
Other benefactions	24 00
	<hr/> 84 40
Beyond the Diocese:	
Missions—Domestic.....	10 00
Foreign.....	5 05
University of the South.....	12 50
	<hr/> 27 55
Total.....	<hr/> \$568 29

CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION,
CHARLESTON.

REV. A. TOOMER PORTER, RECTOR.

Families—73 white, 6 colored.....	79
Communicants—Admitted.....	21
Died.....	3
Present number—Male, 49; female, 115.....	164
Baptisms—Infants, 18 white, 1 colored; adults, 3.....	21
Confirmations—21 white, 1 colored.....	22
Marriages—3 white, 1 colored.....	4
Burials—10 white, 1 colored.....	11
S School—Teachers, 5 male, 7 female.....	12
Parochial School—Teachers.....	8
Public Worship—52 Sundays; 233 other days.	
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 27; private, 15.....	42

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$1,400 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	50 00
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	11 00
Current expenses.....	1,301 57
	<hr/> \$2,762 57

Benefactions, etc., in Parish :

Alms.....	170 00
.....	600 00
On Church debt.....	753 83
To Home and Institute.....	212 00
	<hr/> 1,735 83

Benefactions in Diocese :

Missions.....	145 00
Sisterhood.....	388 09
	<hr/> 533 09

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Domestic.....	15 00
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Total..... \$5,046 49

I was absent from my Parish for six months on account of ill health, hence a falling off in our contributions.

There are over forty communicants of this Church who are in the country, or out of the city, who still claim this as their Parish, but I do not report them, as they are not here to contribute to the general welfare of the Parish.

I collected abroad sixteen thousand dollars in behalf of the Holy Communion Church Institute, during the last summer, all of which was spent for Church work in this Diocese. Has not the time come when the Church at large in this Diocese will do something to help this Church school? Eight years we have struggled on with little help from the Church at home. We have created a Church school which invites examination, and embraces a thorough education, at very moderate rates, and under Church principles. Will not churchmen send us their children? \$200 a year is our largest charge, and all who pay are helping those who do not pay.

If the Church wishes such a work in this Diocese, it must show more interest, for the burden is becoming almost too much to bear. Sixty boys, sons of the Church, we take care of this year without a dollar paid for them, and it costs \$170 for each one. Will no one help us?

CHURCH OF THE HOLY APOSTLES, BARNWELL.

(See Report of Rev. J. H. Cornish, Missionary.)

CALVARY CHURCH, GLENN SPRINGS.

REV. JOHN D. MCCOLLOUGH, RECTOR.

Families.....	4
Individuals not included.....	1
Whole number of souls.....	28
Communicants—Males 4, females 10, white; 1 colored.....	15
Public Worship—6 Sundays; 1 other day; number of times.....	7
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	5
Lay reading, by a candidate for Holy Orders, on several Sundays.	

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$50 00	
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	2 50	
		52 50
Diocesan Missions.....		9 05
Total.....		\$61 55

GRACE CHURCH, ANDERSON C. H.

REV. P. F. STEVENS, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	8
Communicants—Admitted.....	2
Added by removal.....	2
Present number—Male, 3; female, 18.....	21
Baptisms—Infants.....	2
Confirmations.....	2
Marriages.....	2
Burials.....	1

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$210 00	
Assessment for Convention.....	4 00	
Assessment for Episcopate.....	4 00	
		\$218 00
Alms		21 00
To Rector.....		35 00
Repairs of Church.....		365 00
Diocesan Missions.....		5 50
Domestic Missions.....		2 50
Total.....		\$647 00

At St. Stephen's Church, Willington: baptized 5 infants, and 1 colored adult Families, 6. Communicants, 3 males, 12 females, total, 15. Salary of minister, \$75. Alms, \$14.

For St Luke's, Newberry, I refer to report by the wardens.

On the last Sunday in November, I gave up my connection with the school at Anderson. and began services at Willington Church. I now preach first and third Sundays at Anderson, second and fourth at Newberry. fifth Sunday at Willington, and once a month hold a service there during the week. Besides this work, I stop once a month at Chappell's, on the G. & C. R. R., and hold a service for two families there; also once a month at Brook's Chapel, near Ninety Six.

I am sorry to report that God has not been pleased to give me much evidence of the acceptability and worth of my labors. I see no signs of growth for the Church at any of these points, and feel that if an expansive work is to be done, it must be by some other instrumentality than my ministry. It is an important work, however, and should not be abandoned. No ground ought to be given up, and faithful servants of the Lord, as there are at each of these points, ought not to be forsaken. The congregation at Anderson have been able to do a good work, in the painting and repairing of their Church edifice. The Willington people are looking forward hopefully to begin the building of their Church in the Fall. Besides the points of labor already mentioned, I preach in the afternoons of my Newberry Sundays to a goodly congregation of the operatives and their families at the workshop of Helena, G. & C. R. R. I have introduced the mission service with some success, and the congregation is very attentive and decorous, but very little hope of establishing the Church among them

P. F. STEVENS.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, ORANGEBURG.

(NO REPORT.)

CHRIST CHURCH, CHARLESTON.

REV. J. MERCIER GREEN, Rector.

Communicants.....	32
Baptisms—Infants, 5; Adults, 2;	7
Confirmations.....	11
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	2
Sunday-School—Teachers, Male, 6; female, 19.....	25
Pupils—Male, 117; female, 107.....	224
Public worship—52 Sundays.	
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	11

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Communion Alms.....	19 78
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$100 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	5 50
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	12 50
Total of money expended for all purposes except the above.....	1,417 60
Total.....	\$1,555 38

ST. JUDE'S CHURCH, WALTERBORO'.

REV. E. E. BELLINGER, Rector.

Families—26 white; 2 colored.....	28
Individuals not included—3 white; 7 colored.....	10
Whole number of souls.....	161
Communicants—Admitted.....	10
Lost by removal.....	5
Present number—Male, 7; female, 41.....	
Colored, male 3; female 7	
Total—48 white; 10 colored.....	58
Baptisms—Infants—4 white; 3 colored.....	7
Confirmations—6 white; 1 colored.....	7
Marriages.....	1
Burials—1 white; 1 colored.....	2
Sunday School—Teachers, 1 male; 5 female.....	6
Pupils—18 male; 14 female.....	32
Public Worship; 12 Sundays; 40 other days; No. of times.....	86
Celebrations of Holy Communion; Public 13; Private 2.....	15

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial Expenditures :	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$132 50
Assessment for Convention.....	75
Assessment for Episcopate.....	4 00
	137 25
Alms.....	29 15
Diocesan Missions.....	21 21
University of the South.....	5 70
Total.....	193 31

During the year ending 30th April, 1875, I officiated on my mission at 13 different points, in three Counties—Barnwell, Beaufort, and Colleton. I officiated 310 times, preaching 292 times, on 52 Sundays, and 134 other days. The Bishop preached for me 12 times; and on 6 occasions of public worship, I read the Pastoral letter of the House of Bishops, instead of preaching a sermon. In addition to the services on the mission, I assisted in Divine service once in Charleston, and preached once in Barnwell. During the year I officiated 312 times, on 52 Sundays, and 136 other days, preaching 293 times. Of the services on the mission, 40 on 25 Sundays, and 15 other days, were exclusively for the colored people. To them the Bishop preached twice, and I preached 38 times. During the year I celebrated the Communion in public 72 times, and in private 5 times, 77 times in all. I admitted to the Communion 19 white persons. The whole number of white communicants on the mission, (exclusive of Christ Church, Wilton,) is 29 males and 103 females, 132 in all. The colored communicants number 11. The whole number of whites is 379 souls. In July I commenced visiting Allendale, and though no accessions have as yet been made to the Church, my congregations have been somewhat encouraging. Thinking it would be of advantage to the Church in that Parish, I arranged with Rev. John H. Cornish that he would visit Christ Church, Wilton. I have, therefore, given up that portion of my mission, having officiated as their missionary for the last time on 9th April. I was unable to give them Sunday services, which Brother Cornish will do once in each month. May God prosper his work and labor of love. During the year I travelled on the mission 6,766 miles, at an expense of \$144. In portions of my missionary field I am much encouraged, while in others much coldness and indifference are exhibited.

CHRIST CHURCH, MAR'S BLUFF.

REV. AUGUSTUS MOORE, RECTOR.

Families.....	12
Communicants, male, 4; females, 14.....	18
Baptisms—Infants.....	4
Burials.....	3
Public worship—33 Sundays; No. of times.....	33
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	11

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$58 00
Alms.....	37 92
Total	\$95 92

TRINITY CHURCH, BLACK OAK.

REV. P. D. HAY, RECTOR.

Families	15
Whole number of souls.....	62
Communicants :	
Added by removal.....	1
Lost by removal.....	5
Died.....	1
Present number—male, 8; female, 17.....	25
Baptisms—Infants, 4 white, 24 colored; adults, 1 white.....	29
Marriages	1
Burials.....	2
Public worship—17 Sundays; No. of times.....	25
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 14; (3 in Nazareth Chapel for colored people); private, 1.....	15

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Salary of Rector paid.....	\$266 64
Alms.....	21 83
Total	\$288 47

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, YORKVILLE,

REV. R. P. JOHNSON, RECTOR.

Families.....	18
Individuals not included.....	8
Whole number of souls.....	87
Communicants—Admitted.....	1
Present number—male, 8; female, 20.....	28
Baptisms—Infants, 3; Adults, 1.....	4
Confirmations.....	1
Marriages.....	3
Burials.....	5
Sunday-School—Teachers, male, 1, female, 3.....	4
Pupils—male, 10; female, 16.....	26
Public worship—26 Sundays, 32 other days; No. of times.....	83
Also 16 times, extra parochial.....	
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 10; Private, 3.....	13

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$517 50
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	14 00
Assessment for Episcopate.....	7 00
Current Expenses.....	37 75
Repairs on Church.....	203 72
Complimentary to Rector.....	150 00
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Alms.....	\$929 97
	20 40

Benefactions, &c., in Diocese :

Missions.....	37 20
Advancement Society.....	6 00
Clergy Society.....	11 00
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	54 20

Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Domestic.....	7 10
Foreign.....	8 15
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	15 25
Total.....	<hr/>
	\$1,019 82

Some additions have been made during the year to the congregation, although not yet to the communion of the Church.

I record with gratitude the gratifying evidence of kindness and affection on the part of my people, in granting me leave of absence for three months, on account of the sickness of a member of my family, and providing me generously with the means for making the necessary change to Charleston and the seaboard. Minister and people have been thus only more closely united in strong and loving bonds.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, CHESTER.

REV. W. H. CAMPBELL, MINISTER.

Families.....	8
Communicants—Admitted.....	1
Added by removal.....	1
Lost by removal.....	2
Died.....	1
Present number—Male, 3; Female, 15.....	18
Baptisms—Infants.....	2
Confirmations.....	1
Burials.....	1

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$133 30	
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	4 50	
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	9 00	
		\$146 80
Alms.....		5 00
Missions—Diocesan.....		3 00
Domestic.....	5 00	
Foreign.....	5 00	
		10 00
		\$164 80

I visited this Parish on the second Sunday of every month, until first of February last, when I removed to Charleston.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, COMBAHEE.

REV. W. O. PRENTISS, MINISTER.

Families.....	7
Individuals not included.....	20
Communicants.....	5
Sunday services—4 for white, and 3 for colored people.....	7
Holy Communion administered.....	1

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Salary.....	\$216 80
Alms.....	7 90
Total.....	\$224 70

ST. LUKE'S, CHARLESTON.

REV. W. H. CAMPBELL, RECTOR.

I entered upon my duties as Rector of this Church the first Sunday in February last. The number of communicants at this time hardly exceeds one hundred, but as the late Rector will, I suppose, make a full report reaching to first of January last, and as I am not well prepared to furnish an accurate statement of the present condition of the Parish, I would rather defer a further report until next year.

W. H. CAMPBELL.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMFORTER, SUMTER.

REV. L. F. GUERRY, RECTOR.

Families.....	18
Individuals not included—4 white; 2 colored.....	6
Whole number of souls.....	96
Communicants—Admitted.....	1
Added by removal.....	2
Lost by removal.....	1
Present number—Male, 11 white; 1 colored; female, 26.....	38
Baptisms—Infants, 3 white; 1 colored.....	4
Confirmations.....	1
Marriages.....	1
Sunday School—Teachers, male 1; female 3.....	1
Pupils, male 15; female 13.....	28
Public Worship—24 Sundays; 11 other days; number of times.....	35
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	14

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$294 00
Current expenses.....	49 56
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	\$343 56
Alms.....	19 42
Other offerings.. ..	30 14
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	49 56

Benefactions, in Diocese :

Clergy Society.....	1 50
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Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Domestic.....	2 25
Foreign.....	2 25
University of the South.....	1 40
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	5 90

Total.....\$400 52

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, RICHLAND.

REV. JOHN HUSKE TILLINGHAST, RECTOR.

Families.....	11
Communicants—Added by removal.....	2
Died.....	1
Present number, Male 5; Female, 13.....	18
Baptisms—Infants.....	1
Burials.....	1
Public worship—23 Sundays; 2 other days; No. of times.....	25
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	10

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$275 00
Assessment for Convention.....	9 00
Assessment for Episcopate.....	4 50
Current expenses.....	19 00
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	\$307 50

Benefactions, etc., in Diocese :

Missions—.....	9 70	
Clergy Society.....	9 94	
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Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Foreign.....	\$3 35	
University of the South.....	5 00	
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Total..... \$325 49

Besides the clerical duty performed in my proper field, I have officiated once in Rutherfordton, Diocese of North Carolina, when I also administered Communion and baptized an infant. I baptized another infant in private in Iredell County, N. C., and also officiated, by request of the Bishop, once in Trinity Church, Columbia, and once in Abbeville, and assisted in the Consecration of Grace Church, Ridge Spring. I also officiated once in Calvary Church, Glenn Springs, making five Sundays in all spent out of my Parishes ; on all other Sundays I was present for duty when weather permitted the congregation to assemble. The situation of these Parishes is on the whole encouraging.

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY, UNION.

REV. JOHN D. Mc COLLOUGH, RECTOR.

Families.....	20
Individuals not included.....	3
Whole number of souls	107
Communicants—Admitted.....	5
Added by removal.....	8
Present number—Male, 8 ; female, 44.....	52
Baptisms—Infants, 1 white ; 1 colored ; adults, 1.....	3
Confirmations.....	3
Sunday School—Teachers, male, 2 ; female 4.....	6
Pupils—Male, 14 ; female, 13	27
Public Worship—19 Sundays ; 6 other days ; No. of times	43
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	15
Lay reading every alternate Sunday, Good Friday and Christmas Day.	

OFFERINGS, ETC

Parochial :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$559 65	
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	9 25	
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	19 50	
Current expenses and repairs.....	170 80	
Books for Church and Sunday-school.....	55 20	
Special offering for chancel window.....	44 04	
General offerings, unexpended.....	98 44	
	<hr/>	956 88
Alms		6 40

Benefactions in Diocese :

Missions.....	60 60	
Clergy Society.....	4 50	
Education of pupil at St. John's Hall.....	25 00	
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Beyond the Diocese :

Missions—Domestic.....	2 10	
Foreign.....	3 55	
University of the South.....	6 85	12 50
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Total..... \$1,065 88

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, UPPER ST. JOHN'S.

REV. NATH'L B. FULLER, Rector.

Families—20 white; 5 colored.....	25
Individuals not included.....	8
Whole number of souls—114 white; 23 colored.....	137
Communicants—Lost by removal.....	4
Died.....	1
Present number—10 male, 30 female.	
Colored, 5 males; 8 female.	
Total—40 white, 13 colored.....	53
Baptisms—Infants.....	2
Marriages, colored..	1
Burials.....	1
Sunday-School—Teachers, male, 1; female, 2.....	3
Pupils—male, 11; female, 6.....	17
Public worship—54 Sundays, 19 other days; No. of times.....	73
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	6

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial:	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$400 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	10 00
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	20 00
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Alms.....	430 00
Benefactions in Diocese:	66 20
Missions—To Bishop.....	5 50
To Convocation.....	3 75
From mite chests.....	11 82
Widow and Orphans' Society.....	25 00
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	46 07
Beyond the Diocese:	
Missions—Foreign.....	5 00

Total.....\$547 27

It was my misfortune to lose by death my horse, which loss was promptly replaced by the generosity of the ladies of the 'Ladies' Sewing Society of the Church of the Epiphany,' Upper St. John's, assisted by generous friends from abroad. The only let to my great pleasure at this act of kindness, was the knowledge that I thereby was retarding a work which I have much at heart—the repairing and completing of the two houses of worship, which, as a weighty heirloom to bear, the former competence of the Parish has imposed upon us.

The colored Chapel, St. Paul's, has secured the services of Lawrence Dawson, the colored catechist, licensed by the Bishop, and by the instrumentality of one of its members, the school was secured to him, by which we hope he will be enabled to live, together with the little promised him by the members of the Chapel.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH AND REDEEMER CHAPEL,
PINEVILLE.

REV. NATHANIEL B. FULLER, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	4
Communicants—Admitted, colored.....	27
Present number—Male, 1; female, 6.	
Colored, male, 56; female, 122.	
Total—7 white; 178 colored.....	185
Baptisms—Infants, 23 colored; adults, 8 colored.....	31
Marriages—Colored.....	1

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Salary of Missionary, paid.....	\$40 00
Alms.....	4 26
Total.....	\$44 26

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, SUMMERVILLE.

[VACANT.]

P. F. SMITH, } *Wardens.*
E. M. GILBERT. }

Families.....	44
Individuals not included.....	13
Whole number of souls.....	223
Communicants—Admitted.....	6
Lost by removal.....	1
Died.....	3
Present number—Male, 14; female, 78.	
Colored, male, 2; female, 2.	
Total—92 white, 4 colored.....	96
Baptisms—Infants, 8; adults, 4.....	12
Confirmations.....	7
Burials.....	11
Sunday-School—Teachers, male, 1; female, 7.....	8
Pupils—Male, 23; female, 45.....	68
Public Worship—On Sundays, 101; other days, 65;.....	166
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 16; private, 4.....	20

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial:	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$600 00
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	30 00
Repairs to Church building, etc.....	236 78
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Alms.....	\$866 78
Diocesan—Missions.....	64 79
Beyond the Diocese:	6 05
Missions—Domestic.....	24 64
Foreign.....	18 92
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	43 56
Total.....	<hr/>
	\$981 18

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, CHARLESTON.

REV. WM. H. HANCKEL, Rector.

Families.....	37
Whole number of souls.....	153
Communicants—Added by removal.....	1
Lost by removal.....	4
Present number.....	59
Baptisms—Adults.....	2
Confirmations.....	10
Marriages.....	4
Burials.....	12
Sunday-School—Teachers, male, 1; female, 5.....	6
Pupils.....	42
Public Worship—52 Sundays; number of times.....	158
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 14; private, 2.....	16

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial:

Assessment for Convention, paid.....	\$9 13	
Assessment for Episcopate.....	12 00	
Current expenses.....	558 20	
Lay Association and Sewing Society.....	86 21	
Other sources.....	55 00	
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		720 54
Alms.....		37 70
Benefactions in Diocese:		
Missions.....		12 09

Total.....\$770 33

The Rector, for want of a person willing to be superintendent of the Sunday School, has been compelled to fill that office himself, and often to be a teacher of a class

On every Sunday the Rector catechises the children in the Sunday School.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FLORENCE.

REV. L. F. GUERRY, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	13
Individuals not included.....	3
Whole number of souls.....	68
Communicants—Admitted.....	2
Added by removal.....	2
Lost by removal.....	2
Present number—Male, 7; female, 2.....	29
Baptisms—Infants.....	3
Confirmations.....	2
Burials.....	1
Sunday School—Teachers, male, 2; female, 2.....	4
Pupils—Male, 13; female, 7.....	20
Public Worship—12 Sundays; 10 other days; No. of times.....	34
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	12

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial:

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$120 00	
Current Expenses.....	5 00	
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		125 00
Alms.....		27 09

Total.....\$152 09

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, ROCK HILL.

REV. R. P. JOHNSON, RECTOR.

Families.....	12
Individuals not included.....	10
Whole number of souls.....	54
Communicants—Admitted.....	4
Added by removal.....	2
Lost by removal.....	2
Present number—Male, 5; female, 15.....	20
Baptisms—Infants.....	2
Confirmations.....	4
S. School Teachers—Male, 1; female, 3.....	4
Pupils—Male, 8; female, 12.....	20
Public Worship—22 Sundays; 2 other days; number of times.....	44
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	10

Parochial :

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$300 00	
Assessment for Convention, paid.....	10 50	
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	5 25	
Current expenses.....	10 00	
Enclosure of Church yard.....	75 00	
Complimentary to Rector.	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$450 75
Alms.....		5 90
Benefactions, etc , in Diocese :		
Missions.....	25 50	
Clergy Society.....	12 15	
Beyond the Diocese :	<hr/>	37 65
Missions—Domestic.....	3 20	
Foreign.....	6 25	
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Total.....		\$503 75

The Church building has been enclosed by a neat fence, and the yard improved by the planting of evergreens and shrubbery. The attendance on the services has been good throughout the year, and at times, particularly at night, quite large. We hope we are gaining ground slowly but surely, and preparing for future growth and a permanent establishment.

The relation between the pastor and people continues most pleasant, and the substantial evidence of attachment in the co-operation of this congregation with that in Yorkville, in enabling me to make a change with a sick member of my family, has been very gratifying and endearing.

The Lord bless more and more abundantly this earnest and united band of brethren in Christian and Church fellowship.

Lay-reading has been kept up with regularity, on alternate Sundays, and the Sunday School well sustained by both teachers and scholars.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, ST. STEPHEN'S PARISH.

REV. NATHANIEL B. FULLER, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	9
Individuals not included.....	8
Whole number of souls.....	57
Communicants—Lost by removal.....	2
Died.....	1
Present number—male, 3 ; female, 10.....	13
Baptisms—Infants.....	3
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	2
Sunday School—Teachers, male, 3 ; female, 2.....	5
Pupils—Male, 14 ; female, 14.....	28
Public Worship on 36 Sundays. .	
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 4 ; private, 1.....	5

Parochial :

OFFERINGS, ETC

Salary of Missionary, paid.....	\$200 00	
Assessment for Convention paid.....	3 25	
Assessment for Episcopate, paid.....	8 50	
	<hr/>	211 75
Alms.....		5 85
Benefactions in Diocese :		
Missions—From mite chests.....		6 80
Total.....		\$224 40

ST. JOHN'S CHAPEL, HAMPSTEAD.

REV. ALEX W. MARSHALL, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	52
Individuals not included—23 white; 9 colored.....	32
Communicants—Admitted.....	14
Lost by removal.....	7
Died.....	12
Present number—Male, 14; female, 103. Colored, male, 5; female, 5. Total—117 white; colored, 10.....	127
Baptisms—Infants, 27 white, 21 colored; adults, 6 white, 2 colored.....	56
Confirmations—29 white, 4 colored.....	33
Marriages—14 white, 1 colored.....	16
Burials—33 white, 14 colored.....	47
Sunday-School—Teachers, male, 1; female, 11.....	12
Pupils.....	—
Public Worship—52 Sundays; 78 other days; number of times.....	232
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 15; private, 20.....	35

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Alms.....\$211 62

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, CHARLESTON.*

REV. JOS. B. SEABROOK, RECTOR.

Families.....	97
Individuals not included.....	28
Whole number of souls.....	506
Communicants—Admitted.....	13
Added by removal.....	1
Died.....	5
Present number—Male, 36; female, 151.....	187
Baptisms—Infants.....	15
Confirmations.....	13
Marriages.....	7
Burials.....	9
Sunday-school—Teachers, male, 7; female, 10.....	17
Pupils, male, 68; female, 97.....	165
Public worship—50 Sundays; 52 other days; No. of times.....	152
Celebrations of Holy Communion—Public, 50; private, 14.....	64

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial:	
Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$720 00
Current expenses.....	1,500 00
Total.....	\$2,220 00

* Colored congregation.

CALVARY CHURCH, CHARLESTON.*

REV. J. V. WELCH, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	30
Communicants—Died.....	7
Present number, 1 white; 207 colored.....	208
Baptisms—Infants, 3 white; 70 colored; adults, 2.....	75
Confirmations.....	13
Marriages.....	14
Burials, 3 white; 43 colored.....	46
S. School—Teachers, 4 male; 5 female.....	9
Pupils.....	
Public worship—154 on Sundays, 137 other days.....	291
Celebrations of Holy Communion	12

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial :

Salary of Rector, paid.....	\$178 79	
Current expenses.....	262 45	
		\$441 24
Alms.....		11 30
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Total.....		\$452 54

I have been for some months past preaching to a congregation at Rantowle's, a station on the C. and S. Railroad. They number about 50 communicants. On the fourth Saturday of each month, I hold service; some of the people, I have been informed, walk five or six miles on these occasions.

I still visit the "Old Folks' Home" on every Thursday and alternate Sundays.

My prayer meetings on Tuesdays are still kept up; they are times of refreshing. On these occasions I read a chapter and exhort.

At the jail, on the fourth Sunday in each month, the congregations are large and attentive. Here I have distributed a large number of tracts and religious papers, also a goodly number of mission service books. And I take this opportunity of informing the brethren that I am always ready and anxious to receive all such reading matter they have to dispose of.

The Franklin street school I visit on every Friday to catechise and exhort the children. It affords me pleasure to inform you that this school is in a prosperous condition.

I have a congregation at a farm some distance from the city. On the third Sunday of each month I preach to this people. I am sorry to say that they have not made so great progress in building their Church as I anticipated.

My congregation at Calvary is still on the increase, notwithstanding our trials. The Church is in a good condition, with the addition of a stove, which was of much comfort the last winter.

My Sunday School at Calvary has much decreased in number, but the conduct of the pupils has much improved. The children I catechise on every Sunday when not called off to assist at other Churches.

I have received from the Ladies' Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society a good number of the above, and distributed in the city and country. The donors will please accept my thanks for the many favors, hoping that God may be glorified in the salvation of souls, through Jesus Christ.

I am, Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,

Yours in Christ,

J. V. WELCH.

*A colored congregation.

CONGREGATION OF GRACE CHURCH, RIDGE SPRING.

REV. C. BRUCE WALKER, MISSIONARY.

Families—White, 5.....	5
Individuals not included.....	4
Whole number of souls.....	24
Baptisms—Infants, 1; adults, 2; Total.....	3
Confirmations.....	3
Marriages.....	1
Communicants—Admitted.....	3
Lost by removal.....	2
Present number—males, 5; females, 10; total.....	15
Sunday-school—Teachers, 3.....	3
Scholars.....	5

OFFERINGS AND EXPENDITURES.

Parochial Assessment for Convention:	
Assessment for Episcopate.....	\$ 5 05
Current expenses.....	168 55
Alms.....	61 10
Diocesan—Convocation, \$5; Bishops visitation, \$15..	20 00
Clergy Society, \$11.50; to more needy congregation \$7..	18 50
Extra Diocesan—For Com, \$15; Don. Com., \$15.....	30 00
	————— \$303 20
Public Worship—Sundays 24; other days 3; number of times.....	43
Holy Communion—Public.....	13

My dear Bishop:—You will find inclosed my report of services, etc, at Grace Church, Ridge Spring.

The faithful few have still continued to evince their love to the Church of Christ, by exemplary attendance upon its services, and liberality in their offerings. Since my last report, they have succeeded in giving a coat of paint to the exterior of their church, in plastering the interior, and in furnishing the Chancel. The church-yard has also been enclosed by a very neat fence, which has, also, been painted.

Our thanks are due for many opportune benefactions. I may be permitted to mention two, viz: a church bell, most kindly donated to Grace Church by the Vestry of Prince George's, Winyah; and a bank check for \$300, which relieved the Church from its last remaining liability, from a devout and generous church-woman, of Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

C. BRUCE WALKER,
Missionary.

MISSION IN ST. PETER'S PARISH.

REV. E. E. BELLINGER, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	10
Individuals not included.....	4
Whole number of souls.....	48
Communicants—Admitted.....	6
Added by removal.....	1
Lost by removal.....	1
Present number, male, 6; female, 8.....	14
Baptisms—Infants ..	1
Confirmations.....	5
Public worship—2 Sundays; 19 other days; No. of times.....	29
Celebrations of Holy Communion.....	9

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Salary of Missionary.....	\$99 00
Diocesan Mission.....	26 20
Total.....	\$125 20

MISSION AT ALLENDALE, BARNWELL CO.

REV. E. E. BELLINGER, MISSIONARY.

Families.....	6
Individuals not included.....	1
Whole number of souls.....	18
Communicants—Added by removal.....	2
Present number, male, 2, ; female, 10	12
Baptisms—Infants.....	1
Public Worship—on 7 week days; 12 times.	
Holy Communion.....	6

OFFERINGS, ETC.

For expenses of Missionary.....	\$8 75
Diocesan Missions.....	14 45
Total.....	\$23 20

REPORT OF THE MIDWAY MISSION.

During the first three-quarters of the year, your Missionary held services at this point regularly twice a month, in a room kindly loaned by a Methodist lady. The congregations were generally as large as could be conveniently accommodated; the Communion was administered five times; one white infant was baptized; number of communicants, 4; baptized at Blackville, 1 white infant.

During the last quarter, in consequence of repeated bad weather, your Missionary has held but two services there. Our lady friend, who, for five years has given us the use of her parlor, having informed us that it would not be convenient to her to have the services in her house this year, upon consultation with the members of the mission, I decided to move it to Bamberg. By so doing I have not deprived any of our own people of the services of the Church, but have made them more accessible to some, who could not reach us before. Moreover, one family belonging to the Church has recently removed from Charleston to Bamberg, and my own family can now attend the services much more frequently than formerly; the distance to be travelled being only $2\frac{1}{2}$ instead of $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles. In addition to all this, Bamberg is a much larger and more thriving place, and there is a much better prospect for the growth of the Church.

I have held 6 services in Bamberg, having removed here the 1st of March, and on all occasions have had far larger congregations than it was ever possible to gather in Midway. I think that there will be 7 communicants of our Church here, instead of 4 at Midway. I sincerely trust that the Board will sanction the change of place thus made, and will not think that I have exceeded my powers.

During the past year this Mission has contributed as follows:

Towards support of Missionary.....	\$24 00
P. E. Society.....	8 35
Bishop's fund.....	3 00
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	35 35
Mite chests.....	1 75
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\$37 10

Respectfully submitted.

B. B. SAMS, *Missionary.*

REPORT OF REV. JOHN H. CORNISH, OF AIKEN.

I have had charge, for all, or part of the past year, of the following Parishes, viz : Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell; St. John's Church, John's Island; Christ Church, Wilton. Also, officiated at the several Stations in the Pinewood Mission, viz; Kaolin, Montmorency, Bromley, Elko, and Blackville.

John's Island—From May 1st, 1874, to August 5th, 1874, I officiated in the Parish Church on John's Island on 2 Sundays; celebrated the Lord's Supper 2 times; baptized 2 infants, white; alms, \$6.71

In Zion Chapel, on Wadmalaw Island, on 2 Sundays; celebrated the Lord's Supper 1 time; baptized 1 infant, white; alms, 73 cents.

In the Chapel, at Rockville, on 2 Sundays; celebrated the Lord's Supper 1 time; alms, 73 cents; baptized 2 children, white.

Barnwell—Divine Service in the Church of the Holy Apostles, Sundays, 11; other days, 1; number of times, 23; the Lord's Supper, 12 times; baptisms, 2 children; confirmed by the Bishop, 1; communicants added 1; present number, 15; alms, \$34.35; salary paid, \$10.

I have officiated in the residence of Mr. Edward D. LaRoche on 2 Sundays; celebrated the Lord's Supper, 1 time; alms, 65c; number of communicants, 15. In the residence of Mr. Optimus Hughes, 1 Sunday; baptized 1 infant.

Pinewood Mission—Kaolin—I have officiated at this deserted village on 5 Sundays; Offerings, \$5; number of communicants, 2.

The beautiful Church is in a good state of preservation.

Montmorency—Officiated 1 Sunday in the school house; 2 other Sundays preached from house to house.

Bromley—Officiated, Sundays, 6; celebrated the Lord's Supper, 6 times; baptized one infant, white; communicants, 8; alms, \$5.75; salary, \$20.

Elko—Officiated, Sundays, 3; communicants, 1; offerings, \$3.75.

Blackville—Officiated, Sundays, 1; offerings, \$1.

Besides the above services, I have officiated in St. Thaddæus Church, Aiken, in the absence and at the request of the Rector; Sundays, 3, other days, 2; burials, 3; and assisted the Rector on 13 other occasions.

In Charleston I have officiated on Sundays in St. Philip's Church, 2; St. Michael's, 1; Church of the Holy Communion, 2; St. John's Chapel, 1; St. Mark's Church, 1.

In the discharge of these duties I have travelled by railroad, hacks, and cars, steam-boats, row boats, dug outs, and on foot, about four thousand miles.

Salary—From the Advancement Society.....	\$270 00
From Holy Apostles, Barnwell.....	10 00
From Bromley.....	20 00

Total.....\$300 00

REPORT OF THE REV. J. OBEAR, WINNSBORO'.

Right Rev. W. B. W. Howe, D. D. :

DEAR SIR : I have held Divine service, since the meeting of the last Convention, in St. John's Church Winnsboro', on twenty-nine Sundays; and, also, on ten Sundays in St. Stephen's Church, Ridgeway Total, 39 Sundays.

REPORT OF REV. D. McELHERAN.

Right Rev. and Dear Brother in Christ : MOUNT PLEASANT, May 13th, 1875.

I was not aware till yesterday, that it was expected of me to make a report of that which the Blessed Spirit of God has enabled me to do in the discharge of my duties as his minister, which I now briefly state. Two Sundays in each month, I have endeavored to discharge the duties of a minister and supply the place of Rev. T. F. Gadsden, during his absence at the Parish Church and at Santee, and occasionally, but not always, assisted him at the Communion. Sincerely and respectfully, your Brother in Christ,

DAVID McELHERAN.

Rt. Rev. W. B. W. Howe, D. D., Charleston, So. Ca.

REPORT OF REV. W. T. POTTER.

GREENVILLE, May 7th, 1875.

My dear Bishop:—But for the canonical obligation, there is such a sameness in my annual reports, they might be dispensed with. In obedience, I report as having officiated on eleven separate occasions, principally when the Rector was absent, at State and General Conventions, and Camden; also at the burial of Henry Morris, an aged member of our Church, in the Rector's absence. Gladly would I join my brethren in the Semi-Centennial and Convention, but acquiesce in the providence of God which forbids.

Yours fraternally,

W. T. POTTER.

REPORT OF REV. W. H. JOHNSON.

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 13th, 1875.

To the Right Rev. W. B. W. Howe, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese:

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR BISHOP:—I would report that on the 30th day of November last, my relations with the Parish of St. Paul's, Summerville, ceased. by my resignation, and that from that date until March 16th I was absent from the Diocese. Since the latter date I have officiated as follows: twice at Summerville, assisting the Minister in charge; once at Mt. Pleasant, assisting the Rector; three times at Orangeburg, and once at St. Matthews.

Very respectfully, yours in Christ,

W. H. JOHNSON.

REPORT OF REV. J. MERCIER GREEN, CITY MISSIONARY.

CHARLESTON, May 1st, 1875.

Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop:

My official acts as City Missionary have been as follows:

1st. Visits to the sick and convalescent almost daily in the white and colored wards of the city. Also visits to sick poor in the wards of the city. Also several visits to the Jail and to the Alms House. Until a Rector was appointed, your Missionary visited the House of Rest occasionally.

2d. Your Missionary has baptized white adults, 3; white children, 5; colored children, 2; total, 10. Four white adults have been prepared for confirmation

3d. He has distributed Bibles, Testaments, Prayer Books, Mission Service Books, Tracts and papers.

4th. Your Missionary has received for the support of the mission, in addition to the appropriation of the Advancement Society, from Grace Church, in response to an appeal from the pulpit, \$10.78; also for the poor of the mission, from Mrs. T. J. Y., \$5; Mrs. R. M., \$5; Mr. T., \$1.50; "A little girl for a poor child," through Rev. E. E. Bellinger, \$1.50. Total, \$13. Also, bundles of clothing for the poor.

The interest awakened in this department of mission work has continued unabating. From the original appointment of a City Missionary has been developed an active lay co-operation, both male and female. With the exception of St. John's Chapel Mission, under the venerable and much beloved Missionary, the Rev. Dr. Marshall, your Missionary found this important field wholly unoccupied by Church workers. The City Hospital was altogether unsupplied with Protestant clerical ministrations, with the exception of the seamen's department.

Now we have co-operating with the City Missionary "The Ladies' organization for visiting the public charitable institutions and in the several wards of the city;" "The Church Aid Association;" "The Committee on the House of Rest," and "The Board of Managers of the Protestant Episcopal Cemetery"—in all of which we recognize manifest tokens of the Divine blessing, which should encourage our hearts to faith and perseverance in this glorious work.

Affectionately yours in Christ,

J. MERCIER GREEN, *City Missionary*.

REPORT OF ST. JOHN'S HALL.

My dear Bishop : Required by Canon to make a report of this Church school, I have only to say that its condition is not materially changed. The number of pupils remains about the same. I have reduced the number of teachers until such time as we may need more.

We pursue our work none the less earnestly and faithfully, because of the smallness of numbers, and appeal with confidence to all patrons and visitors who have examined, for testimony to our efficient working.

The one thing to discourage, is the apathy of the Church, in respect to Christian education,—the knowledge that the presence of a teacher of French, or of music in some institution has more influence with many who “profess and call themselves Christians,” in the selection of a place of education for their children, than the presence or absence in it, of the truth of God—“the faith once delivered to the Saints.

Respectfully,

JNO. D. MCCOLLOUGH, *Rector.*

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Clergy—Received	2
Canonically resident—Bishop, 1; Priests, 47; Deacons, 2.....	50
Candidates for Holy Orders.....	6
Postulants	4
Lay Readers, licensed.....	12
Parishes and Churches, in union with the Convention.....	60
“ “ not in union.....	6
“ “ dormant and extinct	13
Churches consecrated.....	2

PAROCHIAL.

Families reported.....	1 926
Individuals not included.....	459
Whole number of souls.....	5,908
Baptisms—White adults, 50; Infants, 344.	
Colored adults, 39; Infants, 174.	
Total—Adults, 86; Infants, 494.....	607
Confirmations—(reported by Clergy, 279 whites; 80 colored); by Bishop...	369
Marriages—Whites, 100; Colored, 30.....	130
Burials—Whites, 283; Colored, 78.....	361
Communicants—Added	350
Lost.....	227
Present number—White male, 722; female, 2,542.	
Not specified, 346.	
Colored, male, 152; female 335.	
Not specified, 342.	
Total—white, 3,610; colored, 829.....	4,439
Sunday-School—Teachers, male, —; female, —.	
Not specified, —.	
Pupils—Males, —; females, — : not specified, —.	
Parish School—Teachers	23
Pupils, 147 females.	

OFFERINGS, ETC.

Parochial:	
Alms and offerings.....	\$ 5,201 44
Current expenses and salaries.....	53,285 84
Other objects.....	12,944 13
Diocesan—Assessments.....	1,786 76
Missions.....	1,983 78
Other objects.....	2,118 66
General Missions—Domestic.....	461 09
“ Foreign.....	466 94
“ Indians.....	10 50
“ Not specified.....	75 00
Objects not specified.....	141 16
University of the South.....	418 24
Grand total.....	\$78,893 54

APPENDIX VI.

LIST OF PARISHES AND CHURCHES,

WITH THE DATES OF THEIR FOUNDATION ANNEXED.

1ST.—IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

1	St. Philip's (original Church built in 1681) Parish,	1704
2	St. James' Parish, Santee, April 9,	1706
3	St. Andrew's " Nov. 30,	1706
4	Christ Church " "	1706
5	St. James', Goose Creek " "	1706
6	St. John's " Berkeley,	1706
7	St. Thomas' and St. Dennis' " "	1706
8	St. Helena's " Beaufort,	1712
9	Prince George's " Winyah,	1712
10	St. John's " John's Island,	1734
11	Prince Frederick's, Pee Dee, " 1734, Chapel built,	1838
12	Prince William's " "	1745
13	St. Michael's " 1751, Church built,	1761
14	St. Mark's " Clarendon,	1757
15	All Saint's " Waccamaw,	1767
16	St. Luke's, " "	1767
17	St. Matthew's " "	1768
18	St. David's " 1768, Ch., Cheraw,	1820
19	Church on Edisto Island, " "	1774
20	Claremont Church, Stateburg,	1788
21	St. Paul's Ch., Radcliffeboro,' Charleston,	1810
22	Trinity Church, Columbia,	1812

23	St. Paul's Church,	Pendleton,	1820
24	Christ Church,	Greenville,	1825
25	Grace Church,	Camden,	1830
26	Trinity Church,	Society Hill,	1833
27	Christ Church,	Wiltown,	1834
28	Holy Trinity Church,	Grahamville,	1834
29	Trinity Church,	Edgefield,	1835
30	St. John's Church,	Fairfield,	1839
31	St. Philip's Church,	Bradford Springs,	1841
32	Trinity Church,	Abbeville,	1842
33	Church of the Messiah,	North Santee,	1842
34	Church of St. Thaddæus,	Aiken,	1842
35	Zion Church,	Richland,	1844
36	Grace Ch., Charleston,	Charleston,	1846
37	St. Luke's Church,	Newberry,	1846
38	Church of the Advent,	Spartanburg,	1847
39	Ch. of Holy Communion,	Cannonsboro', Charleston,	1848
40	Ch. of the Hoivy Apostles,	Barnwell,	1850
41	Calvary Church,	Glenn Springs,	1850
42	Grace Church,	Anderson C. H.,	1851
43	Church of the Redeemer,	Orangeburg C. H.,	1851
44	Christ Church,	Charleston,	1855
45	St. Jude's Church,	Walterboro',	1856
46	Christ Church,	Mar's Bluff,	1856
47	Trinity Church,	Black Oak,	1856
48	Ch. of Good Shepherd,	Yorkville,	1856
49	St. Mark's Church,	Chester,	1857
50	Ch. of the Ascension,	Combahee,	1857
51	St. Luke's Church,	Charleston,	1858
52	Ch. of Holy Comforter,	Sumter,	1858
53	St. John's Church,	Richland,	1858
54	Church of the Nativity,	Union,	1859
55	Church of the Epiphany,	Upper St. John's,	1864
56	St. Paul's Church,	Summerville,	1866
57	St. Stephen's Church,	Charleston,	1867
58	St. John's Church,	Florence,	1868
59	Church of our Saviour,	Rock Hill, York County,	1870
60	St. Stephen's Church,	St. Stephen's Parish,	1871

2D.—CONGREGATIONS NOT ENTITLED TO A REPRESENTATION IN
THE CONVENTION.

St. John's Chapel,	Hampstead,	1839
Calvary Church,	Charleston,	1849
St. Mark's Church,	Charleston,	1866

3D.—SUSPENDED PARISHES.

St. Helena Church,	St. Helena Island.
St. James' Church,	James' Island.
St. Peter's Church,	Charleston.
Emmanuel Church,	Chester.
St. Paul's,	Stono.
Grace Church,	Sullivan's Island.
Ascension Church,	Gillisonville.
St. Peter's Church,	Beaufort District.
St. Stephen's Church,	Pineville.

4TH.—DORMANT PARISHES.

		FOUNDED.
St. Bartholomew's,	Parish,	1706
Church of the Epiphany,	Laurens,	1846
Christ Church	Columbia,	1858
Church of the Advent,	Marion,	1868

APPENDIX VII.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF CLERGY, WITH POST-OFFICE.

RT. REV. W. B. W. HOWE, D.D., . POST OFFICE, CHARLESTON.

Post Office.

Babbitt, B. B	Columbia.
Bellinger, E. E	Walterboro.
Campbell, W. H	Charleston.
Capers, Ellison,	Greenville.
Cornish, A. H	Pendleton.
Cornish, J. H	Aiken.
Drayton, J. G	Charleston, and Flat Rock, N. C.
DuBose, W. P	Sewanee, Tenn.
Elliott, James H., D. D	Charleston.
Edgerton, E. C	Aiken.
Fuller, N. B	Bonneau's Depot, N. E. R. R.
Gadsden, T. F	Charleston.
Glennie, A	Georgetown.
Green, J. M	Charleston.
Guerry, L. F	Summerville.
Hanckel, W. H	Charleston.
Hay, P. D	Monk's Corner.
Johnson, John	Charleston.
Johnson, R. P	Yorkville.
Johnson, W. H	Summerville.
Jones, C. F., D. D	Glenn Springs.
Lee, H. T	Society Hill.
Logan, E. C	Charleston.
Lucas, T. N	Stateburg.
Marshall, A. W., D. D	Charleston.
McCollough, J. D	Spartanburg.
McElheran, D	Charleston.

Miles, E. R	Camden.
Miles, J. W	Charleston.
Moore, A	Mar's Bluff.
Motte, J. W	Cheraw.
Obear, J.	Winnsboro'.
Pinckney, C. C.	Charleston.
Porter, A. T.	Charleston.
Potter, W. T.	Greenville.
Prentiss, W. O.	Charleston.
Sams, B. B.	Bamberg.
Seabrook, J. B.	Charleston.
Shand, P. J., D. D.	Columbia.
Stevens, P. F.	Anderson.
Stickney, G. W.	Enterprise.
Stringfellow, J. H.	Columbia.
Tillinghast, J. H.	Acton.
Trapier, R. S.	Charleston.
Walker, C. B.	Columbia.
Walker, E. T.	Edgefield.
Walker, J. R., D. D.	Beaufort.
Welsh, J. V.	Charleston.

APPENDIX VIII.

A.

CONSTITUTION*

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

ARTICLE I.

The Church in this Diocese accedes to, and adopts the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges their authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

Of the Convention—Meetings.

SECTION I. A stated Convention shall be held annually in Charleston, on the second Tuesday in May, or at such time and place as shall have been determined upon by the preceding Convention.

SEC. II. The Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese shall have power to call a special meeting of the Convention, and such meetings shall be held when and where the authority so calling it shall determine; and at such meeting no other business shall be transacted than that specified in the notice so calling said meeting; nor shall a Bishop or Assistant Bishop be elected at such meeting.

*For proposed amendments see report of Committee on Constitution and Canons, (Appendix IV.)

SEC. III. In case there be an epidemic disease, or other cause deemed sufficient, in the judgment of the Ecclesiastical authority, to require a change of the time or place for the meeting of a Convention, either stated or special, the said authority may designate another time or place for holding such meeting, to be held within not less than a month after such designation.

ARTICLE III.

Of Convention—Members.

SECTION I. The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.

SEC. II. The Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, and every other Clergyman, who has been actually, as well as canonically, resident within the Diocese for the space of twelve calendar months next before the meeting of the Convention, and has for the same period been performing the duties of his station as Rector, Minister, or Assistant Minister of a Parish ; or as a Missionary acting under the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese ; or as a Chaplain in any public or benevolent institution ; or as a Professor in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese ; or who, after a continued service of at least twenty years in this Diocese, by the infirmities of health or age may have been incapacitated for further active duties of the Ministry, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of the Convention.

SEC. III. Every other Clergyman in good standing, canonically resident in the Diocese, shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Convention, except the right to vote.

SEC. IV. Lay Deputies, not exceeding four (4) in number, shall be elected by the respective Episcopal Churches in union with this Convention, from among the members of those Churches respectively, to represent them in Convention ; the deputies to be elected in such manner and time as each Church shall deem proper, to serve for one stated Convention. They shall, before they are permitted to take their seats in Convention, produce written testimonials of their

election. For special Conventions, special elections shall be held.

SEC. V. No deputy shall hereafter represent two distinct Churches, or shall, in any case, have more than one vote.

SEC. VI. A Lay member having taken his seat in the Convention as a deputy from any Church, shall not (without the unanimous consent of the Convention) be permitted to relinquish his seat and take his seat as the deputy of another Church.

ARTICLE IV.

Of a Quorum.

Ten (10) members of the clerical order, and lay representatives of ten (10) Churches, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally ; but any number of either order that shall assemble, may adjourn from day to day, until a quorum is formed.

ARTICLE V.

Of the President.

The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex-officio* President of the Convention, and in his absence, the Assistant Bishop, *if there be one*. But in case neither of them be present, the President of the Standing Committee shall be the President of the Convention ; and, if he be not present, a presiding officer shall be elected from among the attending presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

Of the Secretary,

A Secretary shall be annually chosen, (and continue in office until a successor be appointed,) who shall keep a true and correct journal of the proceedings of the Convention, attest its public acts, preserve its records, and give notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for any stated or special meetings of the Convention, and this notice shall be given at least six weeks before the meeting of such Convention.

ARTICLE VII.

Of the Treasurer.

A Treasurer shall be annually chosen, who shall keep regular accounts of all money transactions, to be annually laid before the Convention, and shall faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor all books, papers and funds, relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VIII.

Of Voting.

On all questions, unless otherwise provided by the Constitution, the members shall deliberate and vote as one body ; but any two clergymen, or the deputies from any two Churches, may call for a separate vote of each Order, when the clergy shall vote individually, and the lay deputies by Churches, (a majority from each Church having one vote,) and a majority in both Orders shall, in each case, be necessary to a decision.

ARTICLE IX.

Of Voting for a Bishop or Assistant Bishop.

In the election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop of this Diocese, the vote shall be by ballot, and by Orders, and a majority of each Order shall determine a choice : *Provided*, that two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of all the clergy entitled to vote, and two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the Churches entitled to representation, be present ; otherwise two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the votes of each Order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

ARTICLE X.

Of Admitting Parishes or Churches into the Convention.

New Parishes or congregations desiring to unite with the Convention, may be admitted thereto in the following manner : They shall make application in writing to the Bishop, or, if there be none, or he be absent, to the Standing Committee, stating the due organization of their Church, the

election of Wardens and Vestrymen, their means or prospects for the support of a Minister, and their willingness to conform to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and the Constitution and Canons of the Convention of this Diocese, which are now, or hereafter may be, enacted by the authority of the same. And at the Convention next succeeding the receipt of such application, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall communicate the same to the Convention for its decision thereon. In case the congregation so applying be within the limits of one or more existing Churches, they shall state also the reasons for the proposed organization, the distance of their place of worship from the other, or from each of the others, together with whatever additional facts may throw light upon their relation to the existing Church or Churches, and the Convention shall decide whether or not such proposed organization shall take effect, and the congregation be admitted into union, as in other cases, with this Convention.

Should the Convention make a favorable decision, the said congregation shall then be considered in union with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese: *Provided*, always, that the deputies of the Church or Parish newly admitted, though entitled to a seat, shall not be allowed a vote at that meeting of the Convention. But no lay vote shall be received from any Church or Parish, which has for three (3) successive years neglected to elect a Vestry and Wardens, or to pay its quota to the Convention, until admitted by a vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE XI.

Of the Standing Committee.

SECTION I. A Standing Committee, consisting of five Presbyters of the Diocese, and five Laymen, taken indiscriminately from among the actual communicants of the Church of the Diocese, shall be elected by ballot at every regular meeting of the Convention, for the purposes expressed in the Constitutions and Canons of the General and Diocesan Conventions,

who shall continue in office until another Committee be appointed.

SEC. II. At their first meeting after their appointment they shall choose one of the Presbyters of their body to be their President, and another of their body to be their Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep regular minutes of all the proceedings and business of the Committee, to preserve them carefully recorded in a book provided for that purpose alone; to preserve the originals of all letters and papers addressed to the Standing Committee; to attest their public acts; to perform such other duties as they may require, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Standing Committee which may have been entrusted to him.

SEC. III. They shall present to each Annual Convention an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Convention.

SEC. IV. Vacancies in this Committee, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be supplied by the suffrages of the remaining members, a majority of the whole Committee being necessary to constitute a choice.

ARTICLE XII.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

SECTION I. At every stated Convention next preceding a meeting of the General Convention, four Presbyters and four Laymen shall be chosen by ballot, to represent this Diocese in General Convention. Immediately afterwards, four other Presbyters, and four other Laymen shall also be chosen by ballot as substitutes for the first chosen. Such representatives and substitutes to serve until their successors are appointed.

SEC. II. In case any deputy of those first chosen shall decline such appointment, or be unable to attend, he shall forthwith inform the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, and the said Ecclesiastical authority shall thereupon summon to the General Convention one of the substitutes in the order in which their names are on the Journal, which order shall be decided by lot by the managers at the time of election.

ARTICLE XIII.

Of the Trial of a Clergyman.

A Clergyman shall be subject to a trial for offences enumerated in the Canon of the General Convention "*of offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished,*" and in the Canons of this Convention. The trial shall be conducted according to the mode provided for by the Canons of this Convention.

ARTICLE XIV.

Of Altering the Constitution.

No one of these articles shall be altered or repealed, nor shall any article be adopted, unless such alteration, repeal, or new article be proposed, considered, and concurred in by a majority at one Convention, and adopted by two-thirds of both orders present at a subsequent Convention.

APPENDIX VIII.

B.

CANONS.

[*See Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, p. 64.*]

C.

RULES OF ORDER.

[*These being in part superseded by the Canons adopted, and the rest embodied in the Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, are not reprinted.*]

APPENDIX VIII.

D.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Treasurer, at the opening of each Diocesan Convention, to lay upon the Secretary's table a list of those Parishes and Churches which have for three successive years neglected to pay their quotas to the Convention. (*Passed in 1868.*)

2. *Resolved*, That a sum equivalent to twenty-five cents for each communicant be assessed upon each Parish in the Diocese for Diocesan purposes. (*Passed 1871.*)

3. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to the several Churches in this Diocese, that in the appointment of Deputies to the Diocesan Convention, they should select persons who are regular communicants in the Church. (*Passed, 1842.*)

4. *Resolved*, That it be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, for the time being, to furnish the Ministers of the several Parishes or Churches with blank copies of the usual form for the reports; and that they be, and they are hereby, required to make annual returns, conformable to the same. (*Passed 1826.*)

5. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Parishes of the Diocese to defray the expenses of their respective Pastors, incurred by their attendance on the Diocesan Convention. (*Passed 1838.*)

6. *Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Permanent Fund shall punctually pay over to the Bishop of the Diocese the sum of four thousand (\$4,000) dollars annually, in quar-

terly payments, from said fund, to enable him to discharge his Episcopal duty. (*Amended 1859.*)

7. *Resolved*, That whatever balance may remain after paying the sum of four thousand (4,000) dollars to the Bishop, shall be paid over to the Bishop's Permanent Fund.

8. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, in his annual summons to the different Parishes or Churches, to state the quota of such Parishes or Churches to the Bishop's Fund when called for by special resolution of a previous Convention. (*Passed 1859.*)

9. *Resolved*, That hereafter in voting by ballot, the Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and Churches in order, and the votes be brought forward and deposited with the tellers as called for; and no votes shall be received after the tellers begin to count the votes. (*Passed 1847. Amended 1851.*)

10. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay, at or before every meeting of the General Convention, to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the quota of this Diocese toward defraying the contingent expenses of the General Convention. (*Passed 1832.*)

11. *Resolved*, That in election of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, the vote be taken by ballot and by Orders.

12. *Resolved*, That a salary of two hundred dollars be paid to the Secretary of the Convention. (*Passed 1870.*)

13. *Resolved*, That three dollars per day be paid to the organist officiating during the sessions of the Convention.

14. *Resolved*, That a like sum be paid the sexton acting for the same period. (*Passed 1836.*)

15. *Resolved*, That the custom of returning thanks for sermons preached before this body is inexpedient and unnecessary, and shall not in future be observed. (*Passed 1829.*)

16. *Whereas*, It is customary and altogether desirable that the Bishop, as the father in God, alike of his Clergy and of his Laity, should make mention in his Annual Addresses to us of the deaths of our brethren; therefore

Resolved, That the practice of introducing also on the floor of this House, resolutions respecting the same afflictive bereavement is superfluous and unadvisable, and be henceforth discontinued.

17. *Whereas*, According to the Consecration Service of the Protestant Episcopal Church, "devout and holy men, as well under the law as under the Gospel, moved either by the express command of God or the secret inspiration of the blessed Spirit, and acting agreeably to their own reason and sense of the natural decency of things, have erected houses for the public worship of God, and separated them from all *unhallowed, worldly* and *common* uses, in order to fill men's minds with greater reverence for His glorious Majesty, and affect their hearts with more devotion and humility in His service," and, *whereas*, the delivering of orations, and holding elections on secular or political subjects and occasions, and the usual worldly accompaniments and circumstances, are thought inconsistent with both the letter and spirit of this declaration of the Consecration Service, and have been found to give pain to many members of our communion, and generally to be of injurious tendency ; therefore be it

Resolved by this Convention, That it be recommended to the Vestries of all the Churches in this Diocese to discourage, and, if possible, interdict the use of the Churches under their care, for all *unhallowed, worldly* and *common* purposes. (*Passed 1828.*)

18. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to members of the Church in this Diocese, in the choice of *Sponsors in Baptism*, that they should select persons who are regular communicants of the Church. (*Passed 1870.*)

19. *Whereas*, The practice of both public and private traveling on the Lord's day is deemed to be a prevalent evil of the times ; and, *whereas*, Canon 18, Title I., "of the due celebration of Sundays," prescribes that all 'persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation:'"

Resolved unanimously, That the attention of the members of the Church in this Diocese be solicited to the above Canon
(*Passed 1844.*)

20. *Resolved*, As the sense of this Convention, that it is the imperative duty of every member of this Church to respect and obey a summons to testify in the trial of a minister.

21. *Resolved 1st*, That the Convention, accepting the "*Act to Incorporate, with uniform rights, powers and privileges, Protestant Episcopal Congregations in South Carolina*," does hereby set it forth to be conformed to by the congregations in this Diocese, and does advise that those not yet incorporated or whose charters have expired, do avail themselves of its provisions.

2d. That the said *form* be published with the Journal of each succeeding Convention of this Diocese.

AN ACT,

(*Passed by the Legislature of South Carolina, in December, 1862,*)

TO INCORPORATE WITH UNIFORM RIGHTS, POWER AND PRIVILEGES, PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CONGREGATIONS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

SECTION I. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same,* That hereafter, when any male adults, being not less than twelve in number, in this State, shall desire to associate themselves together for the purpose of forming a Church according to the doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, they shall be allowed to do so by filing with the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions, for the Districts in which the said applicants reside, a written statement of such purpose and intention, signed by them, and setting forth the name of their Church and the style of their corporation, which statement shall be recorded in the said Clerk's office, and on receiving a certificate thereof, they shall become a body politic and corporate for the purpose aforesaid, and shall be known by name and style designated in their said written statement.

SEC. II. That the said corporations shall, by their respective corporate names, have a succession of officers and members according to their respective by-laws, and shall have power to make all by-laws, rules and regulations for their government, not repugnant to the laws of South Carolina or the Constitution, Canons, and other regulations of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the same; to have and to keep and use a common seal, the same alter at will; to sue and be sued,

plead and be impleaded, in any Court of this State, and to have and enjoy every right incident to incorporations.

SEC. III. They shall also be empowered severally, to retain, possess and enjoy, all such property, real or personal, as they may respectively be possessed of, or in anywise entitled unto, or which shall hereafter be given, bequeathed, or in any way acquired by them, and to sell, alien, and in any way transfer the same, or any part thereof.

SEC. IV. Any congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church, already incorporated in South Carolina, may, on the expiration of their charter, or at any time before, if they see proper to surrender their charter, become a body politic and corporate under the provisions of this Act, by making known their intention to do so, according to the provisions of the first section of the same.

APPENDIX IX.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

To the Secretary of the Convention (or Council) of the Diocese of South Carolina :

SIR: In compliance with the requirements of Article IX. of the Constitution of the Church, I would hereby officially make known, through you, to the Diocesan Convention of South Carolina, the following proposed changes in the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, recommended by the General Convention of 1874, and to be finally acted upon by the General Convention of 1877 to wit:

I. It was, by concurrent action of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1874,

Resolved, That it be recommended and proposed that the following alteration be made in Article V. of the Constitution, to wit: Insert at the end of the Article the words:

“The General Convention may, upon the application of the Bishop and Convention of an organized Diocese, setting forth that the territory of the Diocese is too large for due Episcopal supervision by the Bishop of such Diocese, set off a portion of such Diocesan territory, which shall thereupon be placed within, or constitute, a Missionary Jurisdiction, as the House of Bishops may determine.”

II. It was further

Resolved, That the following be proposed and made known to the several Dioceses as an amendment to Article VIII. of the Constitution, to be added at the end of the Article as it now stands, to wit, the words:

“*Provided*, That the General Convention may by Canon arrange and set forth a shortened form of Morning and Evening Prayer, to be compiled wholly from the Book of Common Prayer.”

III. It was further

Resolved, That the following be proposed as an amendment, by way of addition to the Eighth Article of the Constitution, to wit :

“ Provided, however, That the General Convention shall have power, from time to time, to amend the Lectionary ; but no act for this purpose shall be valid which is not voted for by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.”

Resolved, second, That the Secretary of the House of Deputies cause the foregoing proposed amendment of the Constitution to be made known to the several Dioceses, according to the Constitution and Canons of the Church.

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY,

Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Geneva, N. Y., January 1, 1875.

